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HIGHLY IMPORTANT.

A Grand Military Triumph Before Richmond.

The Fall of the Rebel Capital Assured.

How the War Department Keeps the News from the Public.

What it Promises, and what it Fails to Perform.

The following dispatch reached this City last night, and was published in the extra editions of the City papers:

BALTIMORE AMERICAN OFFICE,
SATURDAY, Sunday, June 29—9 P. M.

I am waiting for the American a detailed account of events at White House, before Richmond and on the Peninsula, during the last four days, including facts obtained from Washington, having been sent for by special train to communicate with the President.

If you desire it, I will send it to you. It will make from one thousand words.

We anxiously expected military triumph near the evening, and Richmond must fall. G. C. FULTON,
Proprietor American and Agent Associated Press.

After waiting patiently for the news, as promised above, until midnight, we were surprised at the receipt of the following dispatch:

BALTIMORE, Sunday, June 29—11 P. M.

The Secretary of War desires that nothing can be telegraphed relative to affairs on the Peninsula.

More later our task to get it out. G. C. FULTON,
Agent Associated Press.

As a commentary on this, we append the following, which was received from the War Department yesterday afternoon:

WAR DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, June 28—6 o'clock, P. M.

As soon as the Department can obtain exact information of the move of Officers on the field of Richmond, it will be imparted to the public, whether good or bad. This dispatch is not intended for publication, but for the information of the press.

Jackson, Price and Beauregard in Richmond.

PHILADELPHIA, Sunday, June 29.

The *Sunday Dispatch* publishes the following:

CITY POINT, VA., *Friday*, June 27.

Refugees taken aboard by our gunboats report that Jackson, Price and Beauregard are in Richmond, and will be assigned to important commands shortly. It was rumored in the rebel camp yesterday that JACKSON had turned McCLELLAN's right wing.

Gen. McCLELLAN had issued an order prohibiting sutlers's permit from leaving the White House. No soldiers, sick or well, are allowed to go north of the White House for a few days.

OUR CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ADVANCE.

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Seventh Pickets—Dr. Gaines.

CAMP NEAR RICHMOND, VA.,
Wednesday, June 25, 1862.

Last night, as well as the night previous, we had a tremendous storm, accompanied by heavy claps of thunder, vivid flashes of lightning, sudden blasts of wind, and pelting floods of rain. It commenced in the afternoon, the distant rumbling was supposed by many to be the booming of artillery; indeed, some old military officers themselves were deceived. As the storm approached nearer and nearer, it was supposed that the Missouri victory was ebbing and flowing, till at length, when the storm-cloud burst over us, the sharp crack of Heaven's artillery became unmistakable, and dispelled the fond hope that the long-wished for battle had commenced. To-day, of course, the swamp of the Chickahominy is swelled to its former huge proportions, but, thanks to the skill and labor of our soldiers, it no longer affords an obstacle to the passage of cavalry or artillery; nor are the roads bad for these purposes since the action of the rain in transforming the heavy cut-up roads into sand, and the high wind drying them up before any heavy rains can pass over, improves them. It is gratifying, then, to know that neither the rain of the weather affords obstacle to the advance of our army; there are other fragments more potent than these, but it would be well to leave them, for the present, out of sight.

Information deemed reliable by those in authority has been received, that the enemy has fixed a day for an attack upon us. They contemplate a simultaneous attack on our right, centre and left, while at the same time a diversion, or rather a raid, similar to that made by Stuart's Cavalry, is to be attempted on our rear, to cut off our means of retreat. This is all based upon their confident anticipations of victory. Volunteers were called for to join this daring enterprise, as it was hoped by the rebels to obtain a more desperate, dare-devil crowd. One of the men who thus volunteered, expected by this means to get inside our lines and leave a service he had already become disgusted with, but apparently deserting him while on outpost duty he anticipated himself of it and came inside our lines before he anticipated it; thus revealing the well-contrived plans of his desperate confederates. He likewise said that two men, who were as much dissatisfied as himself, had made up their minds to join him in executing his design; they were on outpost duty with him and he expected the immediate execution of it, but they were afraid to attempt it. He then bade them "Good-bye" and left, they not interposing any obstacle to his safe exit.

It is not known upon which wing of our army they will make the strongest demonstration, unless our secession information has revealed it; however, our rallying points, such as earthworks, redoubts, &c., afford a sure safeguard against defeat, and show conclusively the wisdom of McCLELLAN's course.

During the storm, last night, many accidents occurred. Trees were shivered to atoms and horses died, to their instantly killed. Some of these accidents were ludicrous. For instance, among the many trees blown down, was that of Lieuts. JOHN W. FRENCH, HARRY POWERS and RT. COLWELL, at McCLELLAN's headquarters. There was a general destruction of the tastefully fashioned bowers of evergreens and holly, ornamenting the front of the tents, and affording shelter from the scorching rays of old Sol.

Our pickets in the neighborhood of New Bridge are within one hundred yards of each other. Some time ago it was understood that the rebels had given instructions to their pickets to fire upon nobody but officers, and accordingly orders were issued in like manner to our pickets. Consequently, an officer must now appear on picket clad in private's uniform, musket in hand. On Sunday, while the Fourth Michigan, Col. WOODWARD, were on picket, an incident occurred which I deem proper to relate. As before stated, the posts were about one hundred yards apart, and as if by mutual understanding, the pickets of each army laid their muskets against the trees, and [illegible] themselves upon the ground. There were six of each side, and a conversation could be carried on if the voice was raised high enough. While thus reposing upon their arms, two officers appeared on the rebel side, walking toward their post, clad in dark blue coats and pants. They were believed to be officers, although they were neither sword nor shoulder straps. Not wishing to commence firing upon this uncertainty, the result of which would have been certain death to some of his men, and probably bring on a fire along the whole line, Lieut. J. A. GORNOR, Company I, Fourth Michigan Volunteers, who was, as I have stated before, clad in the uniform of a private, arose and walked toward them, beckoning, at the same time, that he wished to speak to them. Having approached within thirty paces of their post, they made him halt, and asked him his business.

He replied, "Our instructions are to fire upon sight but officers, and as it is not our desire to bring on a battle today, we have no intent to offend you, but wish to speak with them."

One of them replied, "Well, you needn't be so angry about it."

Lieut. GORNOR then turned around and said to his men in a loud voice, "Boys, remember that your orders are to fire upon officers, one appearing here, whom you have reason to believe is an officer, and whenever one appears draw a bead on him instantly."

This appeared to be satisfactory, and the two rebel officers left. In the afternoon they returned dressed, of the insignia of officers. Lieut. GORNOR was lying under a tree reading a newspaper; they did likewise. In a few moments one of them waved his paper in the air and called attention. Knowing this to mean a desire for an exchange, both walked toward an open field and met each other, where they sat down to have a chat, exchanging papers and cigars at the same time. The rebel was very talkative and inquired of Lieut. GORNOR who it was that the North claimed Fair Oaks as a victory?

GORNOR—Because we won it.

REBEL—How can that be? Our own official report gives our loss as only 5,000 killed, wounded and missing, while Gen. McCLELLAN's acknowledged over 6,000.

GORNOR—We believe you lost more than that, as we buried a large number of your dead, and drove you off the field.

REBEL—You are mistaken! There was no fighting on the second day of any account, as Gen. JOHNSTON had ordered us to fall back upon our lines, and we did so, fighting.

GORNOR—Well, I suppose you claim Hanover, too, as a victory?

REBEL—No, Sir; we got badly whipped there, but we have no confidence in the North Carolina or Virginia troops. Wait until you meet the boys from the Cotton States, and you will get desperately whipped.

GORNOR—You will think differently when I meet you in Richmond, and we expect to be there soon.

REBEL—You may be there, and when you do, call on me, I may be of some service to you.

GORNOR—Ah! you have some influence, then.

REBEL—I consider my influence sufficient to be equal to your's.

GORNOR—Well, life of an one to disguise it. I am an officer, and have in my card.

Upon it was written Lieut. J. H. GORNOR, Company D, Eighth Georgia Volunteers.

Among other things the rebel acknowledged was Gen. Wooster's attack of Col. WOODWARD's Fourth Michigan on the Lafayette Tigers near New Bridge, some time ago, was a complete success, the Tigers being almost decimated, and expressed his admiration at the boldness and courage of our men in leading the Chickahominy swamp. He regretted that he had no ill-feeling individually against the North, but that the whole South was united in defending their soil against the confederates the second, by the North, but heartily wished that the Abolitionists of the North and the leaders who incited and brought on the war in the South, were placed between both armies, so that both might have a crack at them. He would be unbiased. He said also that it was a mistake that their pickets had been instructed to fire on officers, but, on the contrary, not to fire unless fired at.

The Eighth Georgia and Eleventh Georgia were on picket. Two more officers belonging to the Eleventh were there, and Lieut. PARKER, Co. E, *Fourth Michigan*, accompanied Lieut. GORNOR.

A private in the First Michigan, named ROBERT C. SHEDEN, was hit by a shell in the thigh, and, in order to save his life, Dr. WEBB, Brigade Surgeon, amputated his leg close to the hip joint. The man is doing well, and his life will be spared.

Dr. GAINES, whose proximity to the rebel shells became too uncomfortable, at his own request was permitted to be removed to Dr. CURRY's house, where he is now, with his wife and daughter.

A shell to-day penetrated the Hogan House, going in through the window and coming out in the front part of the house. A few sick soldiers were in it at the time, but none were injured. TRAVIS.

The Rebels Fired—Hard Experience of a Wounded Soldier—Brisk Skirmishing—Col. J. H. Wood.

CAMP NEAR FAIR OAKS,
SATURDAY, June 21—5 P. M.

Yesterday afternoon, while SICKLES' Brigade were relieving the pickets of the First Brigade, and posting their reserves, the enemy threw two shells in the camp, in the immediate proximity of headquarters. One struck the ground and ricocheted to a height of sixty feet in the air, where it exploded, sending the main part of its fragments a half mile further on, to the camp of the Eleventh Massachusetts Regiment going through three well tents in its progress, but fortunately injuring no one. The other burst a few feet from Gen. SICKLES and his Acting Assistant-Adjutant-General, Capt. W. H. CHESEBRO. Pieces of the shell struck both their horses, but did not injure them severely. No further demonstrations were made by the rebels during that afternoon or evening.

A soldier named JOHN RITTE—a rather uncommon name—belonging to the Fourth Excelsior Regiment, was found in an old wagon, on the side of the Williamsburgh road, a little in advance of our picket line, wounded, and was brought into camp of the picket reserve. He had been shot in the leg by the rebels in the skirmish of last Sunday afternoon. When our pickets retired, the rebels picked him up, and put him in the old wagon. There was a lot of decayed meat in the wagon at the time, which had probably been left there since the battle of Fair OAKS. Yet in this horrible place our wounded soldier was put. The rebel soldiers gave him water and some hard biscuit, and displayed a kind feeling against the orders of their officers, who prohibited them from succoring him. He lay in this wagon three days—from last Sunday until Wednesday afternoon. SICKLES' Brigade were relieved on Sunday afternoon, just after the skirmish had taken place, a half an hour after Lieut. PARKER was killed. The Third Brigade (HOOKER's Division) taking their place, some of their pickets approached the wagon on Monday, and Ritte waved his hat for them to come to his assistance. The pickets saw him, but thought it was a trick of the rebels to decoy them into a trap, and leveling their pieces at the wagon fired eight shots at him, not one of which hit him. They then withdrew. On Tuesday some of the rebel pickets crawled up and gave him some water; he was getting faint, and thought he should die, for the maggots were eating the flesh in different parts of his legs. Toward night on Tuesday, another of our pickets fired a shot at him, happily without effect. On Wednesday his own regiment were again on picket. A party of them came near to the wagon, he motioned to them with his hat in a feeble way, and they immediately drew back, and were about to fire. They advanced again, however, cautiously to reconnoitre, but again withdrew. Some time afterward they advanced toward the wagon, determined to see what was there, supported by others, or, in case it proved a ruse of the enemy, they were fully protected by their comrades. Ritte was asleep. They woke him up, and asked him his name. He could hardly speak. They immediately raised him up out of the wagon, and brought him in. He was literally covered with vermin. Dr. FARNUM, one of the most deserving of our army surgeons, exposed himself instantly to the relief of the suffering soldier. He was cleaned and his wounds probed. With blood poisoned, in spite of the doctor's care, it had run, often half having gone through his thigh. The Doctor has reason to believe death will ensue.

This morning, the enemy were discovered preparing a breastwork of mature vacancy on the ground in front of Gen. KEARNY's Division. The artillery-men of KEARNY's batteries saw some of the rebels working at the breastwork, and said their comrades, in the shape of a few shell, which made, by the effect of sending them to eternity. They no doubt felt gratifying to have so destroyed a position without some demonstration being made against us, and immediately opened among their batteries facing the twin houses, throwing their shell promiscuously for over half an hour in the neighborhood of SICKLES' Brigade, without effect. We made no reply to this firing, and the enemy became a little bold, and brought down, within sight of our picket headquarters, on the Williamsburgh road, two guns, which they provoked leisurely to unlimber, and opened fire on one of our redoubts. Gen. HOOKER ordered two Parrots to reply, and the enemy beat a hasty retreat at the third fire.

Everything remained perfectly quiet until about 4 P. M., when the enemy in large force, supported by artillery, appeared on our picket front, from left to right, advancing in line of battle. The different brigades on the enemy's front immediately formed their lines and awaited the expected attack. With the exception of an occasional picket fire, all remained quiet.

At 4 o'clock, SICKLES' Brigade were on hand, but before the pickets could be withdrawn, sharp firing commenced on the left, and extended immediately to the right of SICKLES' front. The enemy were attempting to throw our lines in confusion during the time of our changing pickets. The firing—entirely of the rebels—was continued in our pickets who retained the rebels' volleys briskly, and held their ground.

The Second Regiment New-York, Col. CAMP, was one of the regiments which relieved SICKLES' pickets, and they reached the woods in time to participate in the skirmish, which they did, without retreating or yielding an inch.

At 5 P. M., the firing ceased, and our wounded were sent for and brought in. The Second New-York had one killed and six wounded. The Third Regiment Excelsior, Col. NELSON TAYLOR, one killed.

The different brigades under arms now returned to their quarters. Gen. THOMAS F. MEAGHER came over from the right, with his staff and a body guard, and passed along through the troops of HOOKER's Division, who received him with cheers.

Gen. HOOKER, coming from the front soon after, was enthusiastically cheered by his men as he rode along the road to his headquarters, and gracefully bowed his acknowledgments.

Col. J. H. HOWARD WARD, of the Thirty-eighth New-York, has received letters from the most distinguished officers in the army, urging him to permit them to request his nomination as Brigadier-General at the hands of the President.

No better soldier, no braver officer, can be found. The selection would be an honor to the service, and a just reward to one who, it can be fairly said, won the position by merit only.

Mysterious Movements—Rebel Regiments Firing on each Other.

FAIR OAKS, Sunday, June 22, 1862.

Last night the rebels were heard moving artillery and heavy wagons. Drums were beating all along our front. The supposition was, they intended attacking us, probably in the night or early this morning. We had full notice of their changing position from our front a little to the left, and orders were accordingly issued to the Division Commanders to march to the support of our front at 4 A. M. A little before that hour the firing commenced, and it was, thought, from the preparations of the rebels, that the battle of Richmond was near at hand. Volley after volley was heard proceeding from the wood where our pickets were stationed. Couriers were immediately dispatched to find out particulars. Our lines presented a solid front to a great distance—to penetrate that front would have cost more men than the rebels had. The couriers returned, and informed the Commanding General our pickets had not been fired on. For nearly a half an hour the volleys were heard—whole regiments seemed to be firing together. As this firing was directly in our front, and as I went close up to our picket lines, it must have been a fight between rebel regiments. I account for it in this way. It is probable that a large body of rebels were out upon a reconnoissance on our left, and returning toward our right, went close to our front through the wood; there they no doubt encountered their own pickets, who fired upon them. The reconnoitering party thinking they were ours, returned the fire, and the rebel reserve coming up, supported the pickets. The loss of the rebels must have been great through this mistake. Had it occurred on the left or right of HOOKER's Division, I would have believed it to have been a fight between our forces and the rebels; but occurring directly in HOOKER's front, the advance of our forces, it must have been a purely rebel fight.

During the firing all our troops in the army before Richmond were in line of battle. The alacrity and order displayed in marching from their camp camps, at this unseasonable hour in the morning, was the theme of praise from their commanding officers.

The White House to be Used for Hospital Purposes—Women as Nurses—The Sutlers a Nuisance.

WHITE HOUSE, Tuesday, June 24, 1862.

An order came from Gen. McCLELLAN directing the Medical Director of Transports to occupy the White House for hospital purposes. It will not be used for the reception of invalids, but as an office for the Director and a home for the Sisters of Charity. There are sixty-five now on board of the steamer *C. Vanderbilt*, who will be transferred to the house.

One woman, as a nurse, is worth ten men. Here we have had able-bodied soldiers acting as nurses, when they are needed so much at the front, but through mismanagement and the gross incompetency of some of the doctors here in charge, they loaf around the White House acting as aids to sutlers, instead of to the army. Let us have women nurses, and an order for all the idle soldiers at this dépôt to return to their respective regiments.

The Sanitary Committee or the Medical Board, if they value health, ought to take measures immediately to have the sutlers removed; make an order imperative for them to join their regiments, or refuse them landing, and stop all clearances of their vessels bound here. The health of the soldiers demand it. There are innumerable tents, extending from the railroad up to the end of White House farm, filled with rotten fruits, decayed meats, moulded bread, bad whisky, a concoction called ale, and other stuff in damaged condition. These articles are sold to soldiers, without any limit, and are rapidly filling the hospitals with unnecessary patients. The filth created by this horde of sutlers is perfectly sickening, yet the Provost-Marshal, the health officers or whoever has charge of this dépôt, suffers this state of affairs to exist without seeking to remedy it. All kinds of liquor are sold here, doing more injury to the health of the troops than all the malaria of the Chickahominy swamps.

It is to be hoped that Gen. McCLELLAN will see all [illegible] of his private duty. Although Hospital [illegible] to attended to the wants [illegible] injured officers and soldiers, [illegible] Charleston, in slightness. Later news from Johns Island was to the effect that [illegible]

GUNBOATS AND CITIES.

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LATE NEWS FROM THE SOUTH.

Rebel Reports of Affairs near Richmond.

The Situation Before the Battle of Wednesday.

Another Conflict Expected near Charleston.

DANGER IN EAST TENNESSEE.

Bob Toombs Raising A Big Crop of Cotton.

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ON THE JAMES RIVER.

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From Our Own Correspondent.

CITY POINT, Sunday, June 29, 1862—8 A. M.

We left Old Point Comfort yesterday by the Messrs. Clyde, Van Vannerson, under a flag of truce, with Capt. MIDWARD, and having on board Gen. WOLL, Commissary-General of New-York. We take also Dr. T. G. McFARLAND, of Savannah, Ga., Dr. H. G. LEGARE, of Florida, and Dr. R. GAY—all released prisoners of the Confederate army, on parole. The manners, education and polished bearing of these gentlemen were such as to create a feeling of friendship and respect among all who came in contact with them; and they were returning home evidently as fine specimens with the uniform kindness they had received among us. These gentlemen have been returned under the new agreement between both sections, which recognizes Surgeons as non-combatants and unconditionally entitled to exchange. This adds the humane measure to have brought about by the recent struggle—to his honor be it recorded—of "Stonewall" JACKSON. The North should be content not to be outdone by rebellion in acts of humanity like these. It is, therefore, to be hoped that we will now go a step further, and return every wounded and hopelessly sick prisoner to his home.

Rumor seems to take more Protean shapes not here than ever, among the stock-jobbing regions of New-York. Before leaving City Point, it was whispered that Gen. PIT had received a dispatch from VAN ALLEN at Yorktown, saying that Richmond was evacuated. As soon as we got to City Point, however, instead of hearing anything to corroborate this, we learned that continued firing had been heard in the direction of Richmond during Monday, 24th, and getting *faster* as evening came on—by which it is inferred, by the Confederates, that our party must have been driven back.

Matters are getting pretty lively hereabouts, and the dullest observer is able to see, without being told, that something not only serious but momentous is about to take place. What that something is I think I could make a shrewd guess at, but of course, I neither could or would publish even if I knew. And really it was time for our fleet on the James River to be doing something. I never come to City Point but I feel it a degradation to the Stars and Stripes to be asking permission to land there, under a flag of truce, under the very nose of the *Monitor*, the *Galena*, *Port Royal*, and—I won't say how many more—say three of which *could blow the whole place to atoms*. And this too, with the city of Petersburgh only nine miles off by railroad.

Any one looking at the map is perfectly astounded at conjecturing how it is that we had not long since had an army of 20,000 or 30,000 men marching on Petersburgh from City Point, and thus getting in the rear of and completely shutting up the rebel army in Richmond. That we shall be ultimately successful in reducing that city it is to be presumed that nobody in his senses now doubts, but even when we have done so, what is to prevent the rebels from getting quietly out by their back gate, and go on further South and make another stand, and another hecatomb of brave victims? But with an army at Petersburgh or thereabouts, acting simultaneously with McCLELLAN, it seems reasonable to think that the rebel army would not only be distracted, divided in purpose, and demoralized, but so completely hemmed in as to prevent all possibility of escape. However, this is only campaigning upon paper, and so let us hope that everything has been done that could be done.

The sort of guerrilla warfare which has been going on, during the past week, between our gunboats and the rebels ashore, has not yet ceased. As the latter commenced the game by bringing down two cannons to the shore at City Point, some day last week, and began popping away at the *Galena*, and others, laying quietly at anchor—these iron bull-dogs did not relish the attack, and gave them back more than they wanted. Not only that, but our gunboats, profiting by the lesson, are shelling the armed rebels ashore whenever and wherever they see them. Only yesterday one of the gunboats, laying a very short distance from us, sent a lot of shell among a large squad of the enemy ashore, doubtless in expectation that the latter were about to begin their old game. The officers at City Point, who, by the way, I find extremely courteous and agreeable gentlemen in our interview, say that nobody was hurt.

In the evening I had the pleasure of being entertained, with three or four other gentlemen, on board the *Maratanzas*, Capt. STEVENS, and the *Southfield*, Capt. BURR, after a short but very pleasant visit to our little National pet, the *Monitor*, who thinks no more of the two or three indentations made in her by the *Merrimac*, indeed seems prouder of them, than any beautiful girl does of the dimples upon her cheek. The *Galena*, too, has quite recovered from the peppering she got. I counted in one of her sides no fewer than nineteen shots—some of the holes yet retaining the cannon balls in them. Any wooden vessel must have gone to the bottom with one tithe of such treatment. As to the Captains of the noble fleet we have here, they, one and all, seem to be literally "spoiling for a fight."

CITY POINT, 11 o'clock A. M.

We are just starting on our way back to Old Point. I said just now that our naval Captains are "spoiling for a fight;" but from what I have just picked up, they are not likely to be allowed to spoil—just yet, at any rate. I shall be surprised if you don't soon get some stirring news—perhaps even before this reaches you. NEMO.

The Battle on White River.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF CAPT. DAVIS.

UNITED STATES FLAG STEAMER BENTON,
MEMPHIS, June 20.

Sir: The number of wounded men on board of the hospital boat *Red River*, is forty-one. The account given me yesterday was incorrect. I shall still wait for further knowledge before presenting a final report of the casualties attending the capture of the St. Charles forts.

The Department will be gratified to learn that the patients are most of them doing well.

The surgeon assures me that Capt. RITTE is out of danger; but he is severely crippled in his hands and feet, and suffers a great deal. He is a brave gentleman and a loyal officer. He has always been conspicuous in this squadron for acting his part in the best spirit of the profession. In the attack on the batteries at St. Charles he occupied the leading place, and received his wounds at the head of the line, in the zeal-[illegible]

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AFFAIRS NEAR CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, Wednesday, June 25.

All quiet at James Island to-day. The gunboats to-day shelled a battery of the Marion Artillery, posted on Johns Island, and forced them to retire.

THE LINES ABOUT CHARLESTON.

From the Richmond Dispatch, June 25.

All was quiet along the lines on James Island up to Sunday night. The situation of affairs there, however, is such that another conflict may occur at any moment. On Saturday afternoon one of the enemy's gunboats crossed the bar at or near the Ship Channel, and steamed up along the beach of Morris Island, keeping up a rapid fire of shell toward the rides of sand hills on which the Confederate battlements were planted during the siege of Fort Sumter. Also firing [illegible]

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ABOUT McCLELLAN.

The "young Napoleon" had a narrow escape a short time ago of being captured by STUART and his cavalry. The Petersburgh *Express* learns that our forces passed in their march an estate in New-Kent County known as Hampstead, where Gen. McCLELLAN has established his headquarters. At one point on the march the Confederates were within six hundred yards of Hampstead, and it has since been ascertained that at the time they passed McCLELLAN and Staff were all in the house at dinner. The only troops near were his usual body guard, numbering not more than 100 cavalry. Had Gen. STUART been aware of the fact, the building might have been surrounded and the Yankee General captured, together with his whole Staff. We have no doubt that within the next week the young Napoleon will wish he had been captured, for, in that case, he might have avoided the thorough thrashing which is in store for him.

In the latest news from the North McCLELLAN's force is put down at 200,000, although every man knows he has hardly half that number. A large number of his men are sick, and the health of the army is spoken of by a correspondent as decidedly bad. It has been said by a Yankee paper that their loss in the battle of the Chickahominy in killed, wounded, missing and demoralized amounts to 40,000. We have no doubt it would take more than that number of men to make the army as effective as before the battle.

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FROM McCLELLAN'S ARMY.

From the Petersburgh Express, June 24.

We have conversed with a gentleman who has recently left the immediate rear of McCLELLAN's army.

Our informant visited the battle-field the day after the fight, and says he hopes to be spared the pain of ever again witnessing such scenes. The dead, the dying and the wounded were to be seen in all directions for miles, and many days elapsed before they were peacefully disturbed. The officers and privates of the Federal army do not attempt to disguise the fact that it was a terrible blow to them, and such a one as they do not wish to see repeated during the war.

The Yankees claim to have a force of 200,000 on the Chickahominy, but our informant knows this to be a gross exaggeration. At all events, be it what it may, it is now positively known that they do not contemplate a march to Richmond by this route unless and can be secured from the river. They have sent for Foster's mortar fleet, and with this and the cooperation of BURNSIDE, they hope to reduce the batteries at Drewsley Bluff. The great body of McCLELLAN's forces are massed on both sides of the Chickahominy, and in daily fear of an attack.

IMPORTANT RUMOR.

Gentlemen connected with the army, who came over yesterday afternoon by the Richmond train, report that McCLELLAN is falling back, and burning his fortifications as he leaves them. This is a strange proceeding, if true, after the repeated war bulletins, which the General has issued to the North, that he would press the enemy to the wall, and be in Richmond in a few days. Our telegraphic intelligence from Richmond makes no reference to such a move on the part of McCLELLAN as given above.

ABOUT McCLELLAN.

The "young Napoleon" had a narrow escape a short time ago of being captured by STUART and his cavalry. The Petersburgh *Express* learns that our forces passed in their march an estate in New-Kent County known as Hampstead, where Gen. McCLELLAN has established his headquarters. At one point on the march the Confederates were within six hundred yards of Hampstead, and it has since been ascertained that at the time they passed McCLELLAN and Staff were all in the house at dinner. The only troops near were his usual body guard, numbering not more than 100 cavalry. Had Gen. STUART been aware of the fact, the building might have been surrounded and the Yankee General captured, together with his whole Staff. We have no doubt that within the next week the young Napoleon will wish he had been captured, for, in that case, he might have avoided the thorough thrashing which is in store for him.

In the latest news from the North McCLELLAN's force is put down at 200,000, although every man knows he has hardly half that number. A large number of his men are sick, and the health of the army is spoken of by a correspondent as decidedly bad. It has been said by a Yankee paper that their loss in the battle of the Chickahominy in killed, wounded, missing and demoralized amounts to 40,000. We have no doubt it would take more than that number of men to make the army as effective as before the battle.

FOURTH OF JULY.

From the Petersburgh Express, June 24.

From the circumstances by which we are surrounded, it will be impossible to observe the approaching anniversary of the ballot-box, with the usual demonstrations. But there cannot, for a consenting opinion, we think, in regard to the continued and perpetual claims upon the reverence of the people of these Confederate States. The great principles enunciated in the Declaration of Independence, by which there can be no just Government, without the consent of the governed. This was the principle for which our fathers fought and bled, and it is this for which we are now contending. It is unnecessary, then, to appeal to the patriotism of independence, unanimously due to us men of the South, and we can no more ignore the day than we can ignore WASHINGTON and his compatriots. What day may be hereafter designated, to commemorate the second War of Independence, we cannot say; but the Fourth of July can never be left out of our calendar. That the Yankees make it a season of excessive jubilation is altogether probable. After profaning every principle of the Gospel of Christ, while their lies have been filled with professions, they will make record their phraseology in expounding the political faith of our fathers. But they can delude nobody but themselves—having forsaken the right way, and gone astray after the lusts of the eye of Brook, who loved the wages of unrighteousness.

GEN. TOOMBS' COTTON CROP.

From the Atlanta (Ga.) Southern Confederacy.

Some of our contemporaries in Southwestern Georgia have been complaining that Gen. TOOMBS has planted a larger cotton crop than usual, while many have turned planted more, and all complain a very [illegible] had greatly reduced the number of acres [illegible] planted by them. This evidence of patriotism, on the part of the cotton planters is one of the most encouraging signs of the times. A people who will [illegible] such sacrifice can never be subdued. Gen. TOOMBS, for some reason unknown to us, has declined to observe this rule so nigh universal, and it has caused a good deal of dissatisfaction. The papers have blood it, and condemned it very extensively. We [illegible] be hastily, we can't say; and the Committee of Public Safety in Cuthbert have taken the following action:

Whereas, Authentic information has been received that Gen. TOOMBS, Col. A. P. BOWEN, and others, owning large plantations on the Chattahoochee River—influenced, as we believe, more by avarice than patriotism, have planted unusually large crops of cotton, thereby curtailing to that extent the provision crop necessary for the support of our suffering country; therefore,

Resolved, That Gen. ROBERT TOOMBS, Col. A. P. BOWEN, and all others who have followed their pernicious example, be requested to withdraw all their available negro labor from the cultivation of their cotton crops, and place it in charge of the Committee appointed to superintend the defence of the river.

Resolved, That although it may not be regarded as pertinent to objects for which this meeting has assembled, yet we cannot withhold the expression of our unqualified indignation toward those who have recklessly disregarded the wants and necessities of our army, by planting more cotton than is sufficient for domestic use. Such course may be better filed—but we trust they will not fail to receive the reward due their patriotic conduct.

A similar Committee at Eufaula, Ala., have adopted the foregoing.

The only public notice which Gen. TOOMBS has taken in this matter is the following dispatch, which we take from the Columbia TIMES, and which appears to be in answer to a demand from the Committee for his hands to work on the defences of the river.

RICHMOND, June 11, 1862.

To Messrs. Cuthbert, Hill, A. T. Nisbet and Willis Lawrence, Committee:

GENTS: Your telegram has been received. I have a single hand. By properly, as long as I live, I shall never be subject to the order of those cowardly assassins, the Committee of Public Safety of Randolph County and Eufaula. You may rob me in your insolence, but you cannot intimidate me.

(Signed) ROBERT TOOMBS.

THE INTERNATIONAL FAIR.

The Great Shilling Days—The Commissioners Right for Such, and the Journalists Wrong—The Press Table in the Refreshment Room—Indignation of the Times—Temptations of Frenchmen—The Derby and the Japanese—The Great Crowd at Epsom and the Exhibition—Fastidious and Fickleness—Sewing Machines—Life Boats.

From Our Own Correspondent.

London, Sunday, June 8, 1862.

The shilling days of the great Exhibition have justified the most sanguine expectations of the Commissioners. What is more extraordinary, they have demonstrated that the latter might, at long intervals, be right. The Commissioners said that fifty thousand visitors could be comfortably accommodated in the building; the Press said pooh! Sixty thousand—not fifty—have trickled through its corridors in a single day; and although I am not prepared to say that the conduct of each unit was absolute, it was enough to prove that the Commissioners knew what they were talking about, and that the able journalists of a week ago were for once wrong. The able journalists, by the way, have recently got into a scrape of their own. It is said that they hanger for the bounties of the refreshment department, and that the commissioners, with a profound knowledge of the side on which their bread is buttered, have conferred a "Press" table, where, as I gather, the degree of excellent Roast are the surpassing. I do not believe a word of the scandal. It originated with the Times, and was an ingenious device to throw ridicule on the sheep papers which, to the amusement of the bystanders, continue to live, and, all things considered, do no rare service in the cause of the exhibition. Nothing can tempt me to further a criticism of the virtue of the English Press—a virtue so unique as to be attractive; nor, not even a knowledge of the frailty of American journalism, have been persuaded for oysters in the course of the final round coaring of hair and gnashing of teeth. [illegible] of a fashion [illegible] by a cold joke and a pickle, is to my mind more honorable than [illegible] before the Montmartre Bazaar. Still, the Times has written an article to prove that it is down in free from sin; and several other papers have followed suit. The movement over there is a favor of English about the wheels of state, and a feeble, but healthy tones of lemon-juice. Barbs of a politic turn, when they go into the dining-room, ask for the "Pressgnats," and if the waiter is small and thereon him with the vigor of large type. Our brethren have not only fallen, but been driven into the [illegible] like a good many more [illegible].

And talking of popular [illegible], (I really know no other name for a very large class of young men here, who are harmless, yet obtrusive; well-dressed, yet vulgar; good-tempered, yet intolerably rude,) reminds me that on Wednesday last the genus had its grandest day—to wit, the Derby. Now, that there is a difference to the Dukes, all London was drawn in the lottery of seeing the winner win. But the true Saxon has not yet supplanted the four-footed one. Even here, the "road" is still regarded as the legitimate way of getting to Epsom, and all the conveyances that London could turn out were on it last Wednesday. From the donkey cart of the costermonger, to the four-horsed drag of the aristocrat, everything whatever could be seen propelling toward the favored spot. The day was delightful, but the dust, to which I was introduced. People looked like [illegible] by the time they reached their destination. The [illegible] were there—knives and all. [illegible] that their twin, if they made easy, [illegible] on the wrong side. Nothing could well be [illegible] than their appearance. Adopting for [illegible] sunshine, they decorated their hats, [illegible] with green veils—a British contrivance for keeping out the dust. And so these [illegible], conquering, valiant run the gauntlet of English dust, and were, I sincerely hope and trust, made [illegible] by it. No amount of opprobrium could [illegible] to the occasion; but a jocular Irish [illegible] proved to my mind, distinguished himself by "humbugging" the least unseemly looking representative of the Ty[illegible] with that dignified [illegible] which [illegible] the Irish character. [illegible] there were several bricks in it. I would have seen the companion picture, namely, the "Northern Jap." Under the inflexion of a British third-[illegible], I should, I think, have gone home happy. One was almost afraid to pity an enemy who wears an English hat. How is another thing about the distinguished foreigners. The other day the Embassy went to Newgate, and among the sights were shown the gallows. An official explained the method of "turning off" the superfluous population, and was asked and particular as the subject of the noose and the knot. The Japs were so much interested that they desired the Governor to bring out a man and hang him, so that they might have some of the fun as well as all the details. Their astonishment can be imagined when they were told that hanging in England was an awful legal ceremony, and not a trivial pastime for bloodthirsty visitors. One of the number, who evidently seemed to think that the Governor was not behaving with proper hospitality, remarked that in Japan they would make no words about so trifling a request, but hang the first man they could lay their hands on.

There we rested until Wednesday last for a quiet day on which to visit the Exhibition were more grievously disappointed. It was reasonable enough to suppose that London, drained by the Derby, would send but a small representation to the Exhibition, but all reasonable expectations fell to the ground in view of the enormous capacity for holiday taking which the Londoners have in potence. Half a million of people at Epsom made no perceptible difference at any other places of attraction. The various galleries, shows and gardens were as crowded as usual, while the Exhibition—where it was thought the attendance would be unusually slim—overflowed with fifty thousand enthusiasts, many of whom pic-nic'd under the dome. It is only on such occasions, and by coming from one place to another, everywhere encountering huge crowds, that one can faintly realize the extent of the population, and how thoroughly it "goes in" to enjoy life. We hear in America a great deal about the cold shade of aristocracy, but I will honestly confess that I have not experienced it. The thousands who spend their happy day in the Exhibition, and come provisioned with a double allowance of curiosity and appetite, think, I am confident, a great deal more of their cold ham and beef. Aristocrats of the highest classes and plebeians of the lowest, seem content to shoulder each other for the best places where the question of enjoyment is at issue, and neither one nor the other allows his equanimity to be disturbed by the unusual contact. Indeed, the high-bred folk seem to prefer going on the cheap days, when they are sure to encounter the people and their baskets, than on the exclusive five shilling ones, when the Court Guide is supposed to be more fully represented. And if I were a Duke I would do the same, for when the Courts are thronged with artisans, it will be strange, indeed, if you cannot get an explanation of almost everything that is to be seen, while on the fashionable day the big-bugs (especially the little big-bugs) seem to be trying their hardest to explain to themselves how on earth they came to be there. The only relaxation one gets on such occasions is to walk into the refreshment room and see a hundred and fifty Englishmen all eating Bath buns, as if it were a festive sacrifice, that has to be performed in silence.

In the Exhibition of 1851, America was supreme in the article of sewing machines, but I am not all certain that the same good fortune will attend her this time, albeit Mr. Howe's portrait (it is an excellent but rather soiled seventy-five cent one, in a rich gilt twenty-five cent frame, slightly fly-blown) hangs like a banner on the outward wall, as if to bid defiance to the world. It must be a source of irrepressible comfort to the various makers of sewing machines, who, I am told, have to pay tribute to Mr. Howe, to know that the good tempered face and immaculate "choker" of that gentleman are here so handsomely presented to their gratification. France seems to have devoted much thought to the construction of the useful little domestic engines, and has succeeded in fabricating a variety of styles which have the advantage of rare excellence, and are said moreover to possess peculiar executive [illegible]. They are of course all indebted to the American patent of the principle, and probably stand as one of the chosen which is a principle in itself—for they show a more marked progress in design than the American machines.

Everyone who crosses the Atlantic or lives on the seaboard takes an interest in life-boats. Mr. J. G. Scantz, of Port Washington, Wisconsin, has contributed an extremely ingenious model of an article of this kind, which possesses the great merit of novelty. It does not look like a boat at all, but rather like a gaily and stingy steamer of the deep, with a trap-door in its back for benevolent purposes. The interior, which you can inspect through the opening, reveals a system of arrangements for the accommodation of an extended family of Jonahs—for the crew and the passengers, the savers and the saved. The object of the boat is to pass through a heavy surf with safety. The internal fittings are all placed below the centre of gravity and of flotation. They are hung in the manner of a mariner's compass, that is, as the motion of the external shell or hull of the boat what it may, the persons within are always maintained in the same position. Hence, if the boat were to turn round and round, like a wheel, the passengers would still be unmoved. The steering apparatus is within, and so also the arrangements for a screw propeller. There is no outer deck to be swept by the raging sea; instead, the boat resembles a porpoise in the model, and rather may break over it without damage. It can be managed with safety and ease, but one has to be careful in getting in, and to contrive it that he pop in when the interior is not revolving, or else, like a precipitate squirrel, he may leave something behind him.

C. B. S.

All About Guns—Armstrong Ordnance—Whitworth do.—The Blakely 500-pounder—The Mammoth Scott 600-pounder—The Lancaster Gun.

London, Saturday, June 14, 1862.

Nothing can exceed the fondness of the Englishman for his horse, unless it be his devotion for his gun. This, I believe, is generally acknowledged. But, permit me to add, if that gun happens to be of the Armstrong kind, his devotion assumes the form of veneration. I have mentioned casually, in one of my former letters, that there is a trophy devoted exclusively to this manufacture. It exhibits in a very complete manner the way in which the new ordnance is turned out, from the earliest weldings to the finished arm—an extremely stylish piece of 110 pounds. I am not wrong in saying that this superb cannon is the shrine at which every Britisher offers up a certain amount of incense. It represents the present might of the nation, the means to which the little island is to be kept right. So far it is believed to be invincible; experiments have demonstrated that its projectiles will go through anything in the way of practicable armor for vessels; it grows in caliber and toughness with each trial, and, altogether, is undoubtedly a remarkable child of its age. Any nation possessing a similar weapon, or one concerning which so much has been said, would naturally feel curious concerning it. Do we not all of us remember the excitement a new gun used to create when it made its first appearance in the City Hall Park, and was hailed about over people's toes to the delight of the boot-blacks and the recruiting sergeants? There is nothing surprising, then, in the popularity of the Armstrong gun, and not the slightest wonder except a mechanical one, for pronouncing it a bore. Shall I be forgiven for saying that it is the source of an unfailing supply of amusement to your correspondent; the English are so ludicrously reverential and affectionate toward it. You will see a Johnny Bull step up to the sacred piece with awed curiosity depicted on his countenance and respectful trepidation in his step. He will gaze at it with half-averted eyes; then pace round it like a monk in a cloister. Warming as he draws nearer to the beloved object by these preliminary ceremonies, he speedily merges from the reverential to the affectionate mood. He steps briskly to the various angles of the carriage, and looks knowingly at the knobby parts; taps the barrel with his knuckles, as if it were a young heifer that he was going to buy at so much a pound. Then he will look down the rifling, following the twist until he squints horribly; then go to the breech, and peer into it with his pocket handkerchief, if it needs that polite attention, and the policeman does not happen to be in the neighborhood. From this moment I think he regards the piece as his own, and feels flattered by any remark that may escape from a spectator, and is in any way complimentary to it. If a knot of misguided foreigners should happen to pass, he looks at them benevolently, as though he would say: "You see, my friends, what I can do. This is the Armstrong gun. It can blow you out of the water in no time. Go. Dispose of your navies, and behave yourself, and you may yet be spared."

The Armstrong trophy, seriously, merits all the admiration that it elicits from the critical in matters of mere workmanship. It has been stated, and justly, that the whole exhibition does not contain a fairer specimen of manufacturing skill in metal-work than that afforded by the 110-pounder alluded to, which I presume is nothing more than an average specimen of the work turned out at Woolwich. Indeed there is a tree of the various parts which indicates clearly enough that much of the efficiency of the arm is due to the perfection of its manufacture. The process by which the Armstrong ordnance is made was for a long time a secret. The Government hesitated about having it made, however, but liberal counsel prevailed, and any nation may now learn the secret. The method may be described in a very few words. It consists of winding bars of red-hot iron into a spiral unit, welding them together into one massive tube, boring them out, and then shrinking one over the other till the requisite strength and thickness are attained. It is then a mere rifled hollow tube, open at both ends, and with trunnions. A hole is prepared for the breech-piece to drop in, and a powerful tever-screw put at the back to close it up. This is the whole secret, and it seems wonderfully simple until you look at the gun itself. Then you perceive that the most remarkable machinery must be needed in its manufacture, and skilled labor and industrial tools of the best. The tubes are forged together as clean as castings, and the vent-pieces are guaged with Wurtzer's gauges to the 1-4000th of an inch. The 1-1000th part of an inch has until lately been regarded as an imaginery guage, but it is stated as a fact that, in the Woolwich (Royal) factory, this perfection of fitting has been obtained. One of the tubes, to show the power of the rifling machines, is rifled in four distinct ways, each mode including in itself almost all the varieties of rifling known to gunsmiths. So perfect are the rifling machines in the arsenal, that it is affirmed they can actually copy a signature in the bore of a gun. The tenacity of the material with which these weapons are made is demonstrated by the fact that some of the specimens here exhibited have been tested to the utmost force of powder and resistance of shot, to see if it were possible to burst them, but in vain. The bolts they have fired were longer and almost heavier than the guns themselves, and with them, the ordnance tested is now shown as *perfect as on the day it left the factory. A good deal* of misapprehension exists about the caliber of British ordnance, arising from the fact that, in recent experiments, a hundred-pounder has frequently thrown bolts of two and three hundred pounds. This has led to an idea that the Government possesses extremely heavy guns of the Armstrong make. Only last night, a member of the House put a question to the Secretary of State for War, seeking information on the subject. Sir Geo. C. Lewis replied that one two-hundred-pounder Armstrong rifled gun had been constructed. It had been tested during the last week, and experiments would immediately be commenced with it. A six hundred-pounder Armstrong gun is now in course of construction, and it is promised that it shall be ready for proof in three months. The Secretary added that a wrought iron rifled gun was now being constructed by Mr. Lindell Thomas, to throw a projectile of four hundred pounds weight, which it was expected would be ready in four months. These big guns, it will be seen, are not turned out so rapidly as the uninitiated might suppose. There are excellent authorities here, indeed, who assert that a six-hundred-pound gun can never be made with the present known means so as to insure the safety of the gunner; in other words, that such gun will be burst.

The most valuable part of the Armstrong trophy is the very interesting series of specimens of tools employed in the manufacture of the guns; as also a collection of drawings of the most ingenious machinery, and another of gauges. The War-office has put itself to much trouble and expense in surrendering at one glance the whole secret of this important manufacture. A short distance from the trophy are glass cases, in which are placed every description of shot and shell now in use in the British service. One of these enclosures is over three feet in diameter, and was built for the Russian war. There are round shot from smoothbores to thirty-two-pounders; round shells on Hooker's and Monzani's principle, with time-fuses and percussion-fuses to explode on striking the object. There are solid Armstrong conical shot, formed like the Enfield rifle bullet, having a thin coating of lead round the cylindrical part to take the grooves of the gun, so as to impart the necessary spin to the projectile; shell with apertures in the apex for the reception of the percussion-fuse by which they are exploded; shells of similar construction, but having a number of segments disposed round the interior of the external iron case, so as to insure a certain number of regularly formed pieces being scattered for the destruction of an enemy, in addition to the irregular fragments of the iron case—a sort of dinner and dessert of death. An interesting series of sections, both of the Armstrong and the round shells, for smooth-bore guns, show the arrangement of the bursting charge, and the details and construction both of the time fuses and the percussion appliances. There are illustrations of the manufacture of all the different small-arm cartridges used in the service, including the Enfield, the obsolete Minie of 1851, the Westley Richmond breech-loader, the Whitworth rifled musket, and the Sharpe breech-loading carbine; packets of each of their different kinds of ammunition; and the section of a barrel of ammunition showing the artistic way in which cartridges and caps are packed for service. Similar details are shown of the manufacture of caps, from the sheet of copper to the finished article. The Royal carriage department shows every description of gun carriage, mortar, slide, timber wagon, forge wagon, rocket carriage, stream cart and ambulance used in both services. In conclusion I have only to add, that this thorough and complete exposition of the industrial methods used by the British Government in the manufacture of its most potent implements of war, excites, and deservedly, the surprise and admiration of all foreigners; not necessarily because it displays perfection of mechanical skill, but because it reveals the conscious security of the Government. There is certainly not another Government in Europe that would thus openly impart its military method to the scrutiny of rivals.

But I am afraid that the War office is not appreciated by its neighbor, the Whitworth Ordnance and Rifle Company, who exhibit some of their famous weapons, and, if it only fair to add, divide the interest and enthusiasm of the public. If I were not afraid of an Englishman's indignation, I should like to ask the Superintendent of the Whitworth trophy what he really thinks of the Armstrong gun. I am certain that if I were fighting England with a pop-gun, he would give me comfort. Never do I pass this splendid collection of weapons without thinking of the gibe that at the outset of the war were sent by loyal Americans of Manchester to the American Government and which were received so superciliously and scurvily. If I am not mistaken, a public-spirited citizen of New-York mounted one of them as an act of charity, and perhaps it succeeded in getting to the seat of war, on its new legs. Another of the park I saw, with my own eyes, rolling about the steamboat wharf, in limbo, as I was informed, for duty. And yet this ordnance is regarded by military authorities as superior in some respects, to that of Sir W. Armstrong! The Whitworth rifle—having the field to itself—is now the favorite weapon among prize-shooting volunteers. It is constructed on the inventor's principle of a hexagonal bore; being forty-five parts of one inch in diameter across the planes, and forty-nine parts of an inch across the angles of the hexagon. The rifling turns once in twenty inches; the ammunition is prepared so that it may be inserted at one operation without reversing or tearing. The front sight is constructed in such a way that it can be set to the state of the wind, and a double-acting rack and pinion gives very accurate adjustment to the foresight. The distance exhibited range from a one-[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE NEW RESERVOIR.

Completion of the South Gate-house—General Details—The Public Invited to Inspect the Work on Monday.

[illegible] Street.

A MAN KILLED BY BEING RUN OVER.

Between 6 and 7 o'clock on Saturday evening, a fire broke out in the basement of the five-story brick building No. 203 Centre-street, upon premises occupied by Messrs. STOUVENEL & Co. manufacturers of cut glass. The flames soon spread to all parts of the building, notwithstanding the fact that the firemen were early on the ground, and the steam fire-engines were set to work in an unusually short time after the alarm was given. STOUVENEL & Co., occupied the basement, the first and second floors. Their loss on stock and machinery is estimated at over $10,000. The third floor was occupied by PELSAERS & SZSCHE, manufacturers of silver ware. This firm had about $5,000 worth of tools and machinery on the premises, which were almost wholly destroyed. They were but partially insured. The fourth and fifth floors were occupied by Messrs. GROSJEAN & WOODWARD, manufacturers of jewelry. Their stock and machinery were a total loss. The building was owned by HAWES & GRAHAM. It was injured to the extent of $3,000, and is fully insured in City companies. The stock in the building No. 205 Centre-street, occupied by the Atlas Manufacturing Company, for the making of patent boring machines, was considerably damaged by water. The stock in No. 6 Howard-street, adjoining the building where the fire broke out, was also damaged by water. It is occupied by J. A. SCHERCK, machinist, and HERBERT & MOORE, jewelers. The origin of the fire is not certainly known, but it is supposed to have been caused by the ignition of some vitriol which was stored in the basement.

A melancholy circumstance attending this fire is the death of a respectable young man, named EDWD. MCBERNEY, who resided with his father at No. 22 Willett-street. He was run over by Engine No. 19, and instantly killed. The deceased was not a member of the Fire Department, but a short time ago his father gave him permission to run with the engines, under the impression that the exercise would improve his health. He was little accustomed to the severe exertion required to run with an engine, but when the alarm of fire was given, he caught hold of the rope, directly in front of the tongue, and ran with the others, until they reached the corner of Grand and Mott streets. Here he suddenly gave out, through sheer exhaustion, and sank at once to the pavement. The firemen who were on the tongue instantly saw the danger, and did the best they could to turn the engine aside, but the headway was too great, and the time too short to save him in that manner. One wheel passed over his neck, and another over his chest, killing him in a few moments. No one present knew the young man, and there was much difficulty in ascertaining who he was. His body was conveyed to the station-house, where, at about 12 o'clock Saturday night, he was identified by his brother, who went there as a matter of curiosity to see the corpse of a man who he heard had been run over. Coroner WILKIE held an inquest yesterday upon the body, when a verdict of "death, by being accidentally run over by Engine No. 19," was rendered. The deceased was a native of New-York, aged about 21 years. He was a clerk in his father's store, and a young man of considerable promise.

Acknowledgments.

The Women's Central Association of Relief for the Army desire to acknowledge receipt of the following contributions:

From Cash	$3 00	From Friends through Miss Stevens	$100 00
From Ladies of Black-holm, Parishville and Hopkinton	75 00	From Friends through Mrs. Ballou	2 00
From Thos. H. Falls	100 00	From Benj. D. Silliman	50 00
From M. E. Sunday School at Greenpoint	9 00	From Samuel Elliot of Hartford	25 00
From Juvenile Hospital Society	19 25	From Ladies of Sing Sing through Miss Van Cortlandt	70 00
From American Bank Note Company	100 00	From B. Tallman	25 00
From J. J. C.	5 00	From Mrs. J. Abbott	5 00
From Henry Gray	5 00	From Mrs. W. H. Webb	100 00
Fair for Wounded Soldiers	26 60	From a Lady	5 00
From a Friend	5 00	From Mrs. H. L. D.	10 00
		From Mrs. Dunlap	25 00
		Two ladies and two children, Fifth Avenue	10 25
		Frank	1 00
		Total	$625 25

HOWARD POTTER, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK, June 26, 1863.

Mr. HAWSON acknowledges the following receipts from the notice "Appeal to the Benevolent."

L. M.	$1 00	Two ladies and two children, Fifth Avenue	10 25
F. Hanson	2 00	Frank	1 00
A.	3 00		
A lady	9 00		
Total			$25 25

Removal of Col. Loomis.

Col. LOOMIS, the commandant of the headquarters of the (regular army) recruiting service for the Department of the East, has been removed. He will be relieved probably during the present week. Col. [illegible]

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The Work of the Christian Commission for the Army.

The following letter will show what an important and deeply interesting work has fallen into the hands of the Commission, and the thorough and practical method in which it is pursued.

It is from Rev. J. O. SLOAN, one of a deputation of fourteen clergymen and laymen, sent out from Philadelphia by the Army Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association in that city, which constitutes, as in other places wherever they are formed and co-operate, the Local Committee of the Commission.

The deputation went to the field upon the eve of the capture of Yorktown, and, as will be seen from the date of the letter, have since been following up the army in its advance upon the rebel capital. The letter is addressed to the Chairman of the Commission, GEO. H. STUART, Esq., of Philadelphia.

SPRINGDALE FARM, ONE-HALF MILE FROM GEN. MCCLELLAN'S HEADQUARTERS, June 16, 1863.

MY DEAR BROTHER: I have a few moments this morning to write you again before going out to minister to the sick and to do what little I can to alleviate a little of the vast suffering here.

Yesterday was a beautiful, warm Sabbath day, with quiet all along the lines, except an occasional shot from the pickets.

How blessed to know that there is a day fast coming when the nations shall learn war no more.

There is great suffering among the men, and insufficient accommodation even for their comfort. The sick of the Sixty-third and Ninety-third Pennsylvania Volunteers are mostly at these hospitals. We wish to have them removed further back, away from the old battle-field, which is very unhealthy. The great number buried near there, and some, indeed, in many parts of the woods still unburied, make it exceedingly unpleasant and dangerous to health to ride over it, to say nothing of sick men remaining near it.

We want many things for their comfort. Indeed, almost anything you can send, nourishing and suitable for the sick, will be gratefully received by these brave, but now weak men.

I will mention a few articles: Some soft, delicate crackers, or rusk, concentrated beef, tea, Jamaica ginger—this is greatly needed, and there is none here—lemons—very necessary to refresh and revive the wounded; also shirts and drawers.

In many cases these men need only clean clothing and the refreshment of a bath to restore them to efficiency. It is good nursing and nourishing food more than anything else they want.

I must not forget to tell you of our great want of religious reading matter. All that was sent to Yorktown was distributed there, among the 1,000 sick and wounded.

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* * There is great neglect and little feeling shown, or attention paid in many instances, by those whose special duty it is to attend to the sick. In many cases the doctors will gladly seek for a surgical operation, but care little to look on or administer to the case of those dying with typhoid fever and other diseases.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

Important events have transpired before Richmond during the last three or four days, only a bit of which has been allowed to reach us—the War Department having seen fit to prohibit the transmission of a full account by telegraph. We must be satisfied with the assurance that we have gained a great military triumph, and that the fall of the rebel Capital is assured.

Gen. FRANKLIN on Friday turned over his command to Gen. SLOCUM, next highest in rank, and with his personal staff and an escort of cavalry left Middletown on Saturday morning on his way to this City, where he arrived yesterday, and immediately proceeded to Long Island, where his wife is at present residing.

The Cincinnati *Commercial* of Friday last says: "The news from the Shenandoah Valley, this morning, is more satisfactory than anything received from that quarter for some days. The forces under command of Gens. BANKS, SIGEL, and FRAZER, have effected a junction, checked the advance of JACKSON, and are preparing to compel him to accept a general engagement or retrace his steps southward. The movements of the enemy do not seem to have been clearly ascertained. A day or two ago EWELL was reported advancing on Front Royal, and now it is said he is marching upon New-Creek with 4,000 men. If this be the case, Romney will become the first battle field, unless it be considered better policy to abandon it and fall back upon New-Creek. This threatened point has been reinforced. It is hardly probable, however, that the rebels meditate any serious demonstration in that direction. He is hardly strong enough to make a simultaneous movement on the east and west sides of the Valley, with a view to flanking the Federal centre, at Winchester or Strasburgh, and would expose himself to destruction by detail, since his main force could not be in supporting distance of wings so extended, and he would be moving, in fact, in three independent columns. Gen. JACKSON has seen the advantages to be derived from such operations in the recent attempt to surround him, and is not likely to repeat the blunders to which he owes his salvation.

By the arrival at this port of the mail steamship *Morion*, we have received advices from New-Orleans three days later—to the 21st inst. The intelligence is not of special importance. An expedition, consisting of four companies of the Twelfth Maine Regiment, commanded by Col. KIMBALL, had been to Manchac, and broken up a camp of 1,500 rebel marauders, having intrenchments mounted with heavy guns. On the approach of our forces, the rebels fled, leaving behind their camp equipage, guns, &c. The property was destroyed, and the guns were spiked. The first revenue flag raised since the breaking-out of the rebellion had been run up on the Custom-house by Collector DENNISON. The time for Confederate soldiers to give parole not to serve against the Government until regularly exchanged had been extended by Gen. SHEPLEY, the number availing themselves of the offer proving much greater than anticipated. The markets were much better supplied, and altogether matters were rapidly improving in the City.

The ship *City of New-York*, Capt. SALTER, from New-Orleans June 8, which arrived at this port on Saturday, has on board 278 hhds. sugar and 18 bales of cotton, consigned to order. She also brings 45 passengers, among whom are four Tennesseans, who were seized in Tennessee and sent to New-Orleans for expressing Union sentiments, but were subsequently released on the arrival of our troops.

The gunboat *Cock* on the White River, Arkansas, while proceeding up to the Crooked Point Cut-off, was compelled to turn back on account of the low stage of the water. It is understood that the rebel boat *Van Dorn*, which escaped after the fight at Memphis, is up the Arkansas; but she can do no harm, as the river is low and falling fast.

The last train out of Memphis for Corinth, on the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, was attacked by rebel cavalry on the 20th, about twelve miles from Memphis. They destroyed the locomotive, burned the cars, killed ten men, and captured several officers and soldiers. The train had on board a number of teams, wagons, and one company of the Fifty-sixth Ohio Regiment.

The Louisville *Journal* has direct information, in which there can be no error, that Gen. BEAUREGARD, at 2½ o'clock on the first day of the battle of Shiloh, telegraphed to Montgomery, Ala., that he was winning a great victory, and that he had 60,000 men engaged in the conflict, and 40,000 in reserve. The dispatch was read aloud in the Montgomery telegraph-office in the presence of several gentlemen by Gov. SHORTER.

The Paducah, Ky., Grand Jury has indicted for treason JOHN C. BRECKINRIDGE, Jr., (son of the illustrious divine and patriot,) JOHN H. MORGAN and his bandit brothers RICHARD and THOMAS, and twenty-six more; for "invading Kentucky to [illegible]

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CONGRESS.

Only the Senate was in session Saturday—the House having adjourned over from Friday until Monday. The official reports of the battle of Pittsburgh Landing, 100 in number, were laid before the Senate. The House bill for the relief of the Pacific Railroad Company, appropriating $1,475 for transportation, was passed. The bill to [illegible] until the expiration of the morning hour, when the Confiscation bill was taken up. It was finally voted to substitute the bill of the Senate Committee for the House bill—31 to 11, and it was passed. The Senate then went into Executive session, and adjourned.

GENERAL NEWS.

Gen. SCOTT has received intelligence of the death of his wife at Baltimore on the 16th inst. She was attended in her last illness by her daughter and son-in-law. Her age was 72.

The Sixty-fifth Anniversary of the Bronson-street Methodist Church, was celebrated yesterday with appropriate ceremonies. Bishop FOSS conducted the services in the morning; Rev. Z. K. WRIGHT in the afternoon, and some of the elders PERRYS, Revs. VAN DYNE, DU VINE and BARNS, in the evening. About $800 was collected in aid of the Church fund. The oldest male communicant, Mr. F. S. GARLEY, who joined in 1807, was present.

The United States steam transports *Wyoming*, Capt. BRYERS, and *Jersey Blue*, Capt. JAGRAWAY, arrived last evening—the former from Washington, D. C., the latter from Newbern. The *Jersey Blue* brings no news; she has a few passengers, principally soldiers on furlough.

A special act of Congress authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to change the name of the steamship *Commerciales*, now owned by MATHEW C. BOURNE, of New-York City, to that of *America*, and to issue a register in that name.

An increased coinage of cents has taken place at the Philadelphia Mint, during the present month, amounting to $10,000, and this coinage, being double the usual monthly amount, will continue for a considerable period longer. The Mint offers at any time to give cents for United States demand notes. It has recently received $500,000 in eagles, sent from this City, into gold dollars, for the convenience of the Government. A large amount of gold and silver are expected during the coming three months from the mines of California, Colorado and Washoe, and in less than a month the heavy premium now charged for specie may be materially reduced.

H. S. GREVEAU, Sanitary Agent appointed to look after the interests of the Ohio soldiers in the late command of Maj.-Gen. FREMONT, states that Gen. FREMONT has given orders for the removal of all the disabled soldiers in his division to Cumberland, Md. The hospitals at New-Creek, Moorefield, Winchester and Petersburgh, have been abandoned for the present. This concentration of the sick has placed in hospital at Cumberland nearly 1,300 patients, and several hundred more are expected from Winchester, a large majority of whom are from Ohio regiments; but the healthy mountain air is so favorable to the sick that the mortality is very light. The concentration of so large a number of sick occasioned some confusion at first, as might be expected, but order is fast being restored, and the sick are now being cared for as well as the exertions of the limited number of nurses will permit.

A lamentable accident occurred in West Gaines, N. Y., on Tuesday last. WALLACE SERRINE, who has been attached to Gen. BANKS' corps, and has just returned home on sick leave, after a year's absence, remarked after dinner that it was a rainy day, and a good time to be on guard, so went to showing his mother and sisters some drill exercise, salutations, &c.; and to represent it took his gun, which his brother had loaded with shot for birds, without his knowledge, and during the exercise snapped it, discharging the weapon. His sister, in an adjoining room, had leaned forward in her chair to see the exercise through the open door, when the shot struck her near the top of the head, one shot penetrating the brain. She died almost immediately.

The case of The People *vs.* Hart, reported in the TIMES of the 27th, was again before Justice BARNARD, at Chambers of the Supreme Court, on Saturday, on another *habeas corpus*. The prisoner was again discharged, the Court holding that he committed no offence in selling lager-bier to the patrons of Volk's Garten, during the performances there.

Stocks were dull on Saturday, prices closing steady, on a moderate business, after the first and only regular Board of the Exchange. Gold suddenly turned downward, closing 108¼@109. Exchange followed and closed unsettled, 119¼@120¼ ⅌ cent. The Gold shipments of the day were $3,000,000.

Breadstuffs were a shade cheaper, on Saturday, having been depressed by the decline in the price of Sterling Exchange. The sales, however, were liberal, especially of Wheat and Corn. *Provisions and Groceries were in demand*, at generally full rates. Cotton advanced ¼c.@¼c. ⅌ lb., and was moderately dealt in. Hides were quiet; while Leather, Hay, Hops, Fish, Tobacco, Tallow, and Whisky, were in good request. Coal, Candles, Salt, and Domestic Wool, were quiet. A fair amount of Breadstuffs were engaged for British ports, and the Freight market was buoyant.

THE NEW "CONSERVATIVE" PARTY.—We published yesterday a telegraphic report of the proceedings at the meeting held by the "Conservative" members of Congress on Saturday, in the hall of the House of Representatives, Washington, and the resolutions or platform adopted by the meeting. Mr. CRITTENDEN, of Kentucky, was in the Chair; the resolutions were presented by Mr. WICKLIFFE from the same State; the speakers at the meeting consisted of five representatives from Slave and eight from Free States; and the total number of members of Congress in attendance was thirty-five. There was nothing worthy of special note in the speeches as reported; but the general drift of them seems to be that the war must be prosecuted until its legitimate objects are attained, and that the Constitution must be preserved. The resolutions, which we republish this morning, apparently agree in most of their propositions with the avowed policy of the Administration. A little time, however, will be required for the development of the real aims and purposes of the new organization, as well as to show what practical interpretation the members mean to give to certain clauses of their platform. If the object of the gentlemen be simply the prosecution of the war and the support of the Constitution, no political organization apart from that of the Administration is required, and the best thing that the members can do is to rally to its support. If, under cover of certain clauses in the resolutions, it be the object to oppose the waging of the war to a triumphant and permanent conclusion; or if, under the plea of opposition to Abolitionism, it be the object to attain guarantees for Slavery, the movement will assuredly result in failure. The "Conservative" meeting in this City to-morrow night will [illegible]

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The Mexican Treaty—The Proposed $11,000,000 Loan.

Our Washington correspondence of this morning gives a synopsis of the Mexican Treaty recently received from Mr. CONWIN, and which is now before the Senate for ratification.

This treaty, except that it proposes to loan Mexico eleven millions of dollars, instead of nine millions, is precisely the same, it appears, as that rejected by the Senate in March last by the decided vote of twenty-two to eight. Mr. CONWIN, doubtless, has good reasons for again urging the consummation of his original negotiations.

Since the rejection of Mr. CONWIN's first treaty by the Senate, there have been interesting developments touching the Mexican question, and our relations with the neighboring Republic are daily becoming more and more important. We believe it will be well to closely scrutinize the treaty now before the Senate, to ascertain whether there may not be merit in the instrument, and if such changes have taken place as to render its ratification desirable, the action of the Senate on the previous treaty should not stand in the way.

The present treaty appears to be simply a negotiation to loan Mexico eleven millions of dollars. The sole object of this loan, it is reasonable to suppose, is to furnish the Mexican Government, now so impoverished, the means of rendering its position stable, and establishing peace and order throughout the Republic. Such a result as this, both in a political and commercial point of view, is so important to the interests of the United States, that we would heartily concur in any plan to loan Mexico a reasonable sum, notwithstanding our own financial difficulties and *distracted condition, provided the sum thus* loaned was, beyond all peradventure, to be applied by the Mexican Government to the pressing exigencies of its administrative functions.

But we have it from sources entitled to credit, that the Mexican Government has already pledged a large portion of the contemplated eleven million loan for the payment of old debts. English claimants, it is stated, are to receive $2,500,000, one American claimant some $550,000, another $100,000, and so on, besides the notorious Mint House Company, which is to receive $185,000. Now these may or may not be just claims. We all know that Mexico, beyond any other country on earth, is harassed by fraudulent claims of a monstrous character.

It must also be taken into consideration that the $11,000,000 of bonds, which it is proposed the United States shall issue, must be thrown upon our market for sale, and in the present condition of affairs, they would certainly sell at a large discount. Then there would be the expenses of the Commission, the receiver of the funds, &c. The security might ultimately prove ample, but if the money is to be frittered away in the payment of a motley only of Mexico's old debt, in discounts and expenses, we do not believe the Senate will entertain the project for a moment. If the amount would settle all those claims against Mexico, upon which foreign intervention is based, there would be some sense in the transaction; but as it now appears to stand, the loan would afford Mexico but temporary relief, we should be out of our money, and a band of greedy speculators would laugh at our credulity.

The statements relative to the pledging of a part of the eleven millions by the Mexican Government, to pay old debts, have been public and uncontradicted for months. We, therefore, assume that they are true, and, if so, we do not understand how it is that foreign officials and private claimants can, with any propriety, become parties to treaty negotiations between the United States and [illegible]

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Cotton Burning.

Though it is impossible to say how many cotton has been destroyed by the rebels, there can now be little doubt that the quantity is very considerable. The work of burning began in South Carolina at the time of the possession of the Sea Islands by the United States forces; it has been continued since at every point in the cotton region penetrated by the National armies, and almost every day we have reports of new acts of incremation. An extract from a private letter from New-Orleans, published in our columns yesterday, stated that "almost every bale of cotton in Louisiana and Mississippi is so placed that the torch can be and will be applied, if found necessary to save it from the hands of the 'enemy.'" "You may calculate safely," adds the writer, "that if no more is destroyed, the growing crop will hardly more than equal the amount already burnt; and if hostilities cease, the coming Fall would find cotton only equal to one crop."

It is related of various Pagan peoples that they burn or otherwise destroy their idols when they lose faith in their power to aid them in any desperate emergency. In precisely the same spirit are those miserable rebels acting, who, having for years elevated cotton to a regal, indeed, to a supernatural position, are now wreaking their vengeance on the deity they find impotent to serve them. Now, though the spectacle of such madness is pitiful under any circumstances, there are, nevertheless, some considerations that render even this wild folly not altogether without its compensation in the economy of justice that rules the world. And first, the immediate loss—whether the cotton be destroyed by the planters themselves, or with their consent by the *military emissaries of the rebel Government*—falls on that class which, according to all the facts in the case, made haste to provoke a great and murderous conflict for its own particular advantage. Every one knows that, as a class, the great body of the cotton planters are never much ahead with their bankers or brokers, and that the yearly supplies for the plantations, and for everything needful to carry them on successfully, depend on the sale of crops. What will be the condition both of masters and negroes (who understand as well as their masters that what should have provided for them has been ruthlessly destroyed) now that the very spring of their life has been dried up, and they commended to another year of nakedness and destitution? What a study for every thinking mind, when we see these terrible blows falling at last where they were the most persistently provoked! No confiscation bill which Congress could devise would be half as effectual in impoverishing this proud, rebellious caste as the very measures they are themselves taking. So true is it that whom the gods would destroy they first dement!

So much for the *private* punishment; the *public* retribution is not less conspicuous and complete. There is no doubt that a leading motive with both planters and Government has been the calculation that a theatrical display of this kind would probably impress foreign Powers with the conviction of how desperate was their resolution to achieve their "Independence," and—who knows—bring about intervention in behalf of these indomitable people. But foreign Powers do not take it so; the burning of cotton produces but one impression abroad, and that deep disgust at such wanton vandalism. If there were any thought of interference abroad, it would rather be stimulated by the purpose to rebuke than to reward such egregious folly.

There are natural limitations to the destruction of cotton, beyond which we do not think it is likely to go. The planters, it is said, are determined to apply the torch to their cotton rather than it shall fall into the [illegible]

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Coalitions and Their Consequences.

Coalitions, like misery, make people acquainted with strange bedfellows. Generally speaking, they are the devices of factions to foist upon a nation or party which it does not approve. As a consequence, coalitions, though often successful, are commonly short-lived. It is in their nature, too, to bring into contact, and compel to work in the same political traces, men of diametrically opposite opinions, tastes and prejudices. Thus we have seen High Tories and Radicals unite their strength to pull Earl DERBY into the Premiership of Great Britain; and that his tenure of office was short, and the late effort to renew it abortive,—notwithstanding the artful manœuvres of that two-edged sword, Mr. DISRAELI,—is to afford another illustration of the inherent weakness of coalitions, and the jealousy with which they are regarded by the people.

We have seen in France even the reddest of Republicans seduced into coalescing with Imperialism, against the legitimate and constitutional claimants of BOURBON and ORLEANS. The fruit of this coalition is not yet ripe, but doubtless the world will see it in good time. In our own country we now see a coalition more remarkable than either of the others; a coalition between unconditional Emancipationists and uncompromising Secessionists; a league of Abolitionists and Pro-Slaveryites; a compact of men whose antagonism in principle can hardly be expressed in words. Hating each other most cordially, they can yet find a common ground to stand on. Both are willing to ruin a country which neither can absolutely rule, and they are battling, shoulder to shoulder, to effect the dissolution of the Union.

Meanwhile there exists a practical coalition, which is, if possible, still more anomalous. The ultra Pro-Slavery Democracy of America, and the aristocracy of England, whose mutual abomination of each other is literally a by-word through the world, have struck hands in a cordial gripe, and are fighting in the same cause. Thus, aristocracy, abolition and secession are all found following the same banner, and striving by combining their forces to compass that which, singly, they could never hope to achieve,—the overthrow of this mighty Republic.

The London *Times* and *Saturday Review* are the most conspicuous and able of the aristocratic organs. They are generally brilliant and always unfair. The New-York *Herald* and *Tribune* are the principal organs, respectively, of secession and abolition. They are seldom brilliant but equally unfair. Now that, day by day, the chances of treason are visibly diminishing, now that the rebellious strongholds are falling one after another under the tremendous blows of our army and navy, now that the lie is given to the eternal shibboleth that "there exists no Union sentiment in the South," by the thousands continually pouring in to take the oath of allegiance, these precious exponents of ruin and desolation are at their wits' ends to find or invent new causes for dissension, new reasons against a happy restoration. Thus the English journals, having done their uttermost to stir up the sympathy of Europe in behalf of a nest of traitors who have set a continent in flames only to be quenched with blood, without one single grievance to which they could point, without even the poor apology of a prospective or contingent injury, now declare that the reason the English nation cannot sympathize with us in our efforts to subdue the rebellion, is because we seek to "subjugate" the South, [whereas] our Government avowedly rests on the consent of the governed. This singular postulate is adopted to a great extent by the abolition and secession journals of America, whose sense seems quite impervious to its glaring sophistry. Our Government rests, not on the consent of the governed, but on the consent of the majority of the governed, a principle which was properly illustrated by the election of ABRAHAM LINCOLN to the Presidential chair; an election in which the since rebellious States participated, and thereby bound themselves to abide by its results. However, it is of small avail to single out special instances, where nearly all that emanates from this tripartite coalition is so clouded with untruth and traginversation.

Treason, fanaticism and envy may continue as they please to destroy the noble fabric which has wrought so much good in the past and promises so much hope in the future. Unjust and wicked as such a coalition is, composed of such discordant and mutually repellant elements, it can work the nation no permanent harm, but rather stimulate it to increased and more prodigious efforts, if need be, in the vindication of its unity and honor. The *Saturday Review* compares our Union to the Achaian League; let it be assured that we expect to reach at least the hundred and thirty-four years of that Confederacy, and that we do not apprehend that in any existing European nation will be found the Romans who are to destroy us.

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DRY GOODS.

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FINANCIAL.

U. S. FIVE TWENTIES.

GOVERNMENT GUARANTEED TWENTIETH YEAR!
SIX PER CENT. BONDS,
CAPABLE AT THE OPTION OF THE GOVERNMENT,
AFTER FIVE YEARS,
PAYABLE AT THE OPTION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

We are now prepared to sell these Bonds and deliver them at once at the same rate at which subscriptions are received for them by the Government, viz:

FAR AND ACCRUED INTEREST FROM MAY 1.

The Principal may be paid in CURRENT BANK NOTES, CHECKS ON CITY BANKS, or U. S. LEGAL TENDER NOTES, and the INTEREST IN GOLD, or in CURRENT FUNDS, with the PREMIUM on GOLD at the MARKET RATE added.

THE COUPON BONDS are issued in denominations of $50, $100, $500, AND $1,000,
and THE REGISTERED BONDS in denominations of $50, $100, $500, $1,000, $5,000 AND $10,000.

They are the most convenient and cheapest Government Security now accessible to the public.

Orders by mail will receive prompt attention, and the Bonds will be sent to any part of the country, by express or otherwise, as directed.

FISK & HATCH, BANKERS,
No. 5 WALL-STREET, N. Y.

LA CROSSE AND MILWAUKEE RAILROAD BONDS

Purchased by
T. P. JAMES & CO.,
No. 48 Wall-st.

EXCHANGE FOR WARNS AND CHICAGO RAILROAD COMPANY, GENERAL OFFICE, PITTSBURGH, June 23, 1862.

NOTICE.—THE INTEREST WARRANTS, OR COUPONS, attached to the different series of bonds issued by this company, will be paid, as they respectively fall due, at the Bankers' Office, New-York, Messrs. Sanford & Co., No. 48 Wall-st. The company has no authorized agent in New-York that can receive payment of interest on the Western bonds, that one-twelfth falls due each month in the year. G. W. CASS, President.

MILWAUKEE AND WESTERN RAILROAD CO., GENERAL OFFICE, MILWAUKEE, June 24, 1862.

THE INTEREST COUPONS OF THE Sinking Fund Mortgage Bonds of this Company, due July 1, 1862, will be paid on and after that day at the Banking House of Messrs. DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO., New-York. A. MOXON, Financial Agent.

THE COUPONS OF THE HOUSATONIC Railroad Company, falling due July 1, 1862, will be paid at the office of Messrs. KETCHUM, SON & CO., No. 60 Wall-st., New-York, or at the Treasurer's office in Bridgeport, Conn. CHAS. E. AVERILL, Treasurer.

THE CITY OF MILWAUKEE BONDS purchased by
P. P. JAMES & CO.,
No. 48 Wall-st.

HIGHEST PREMIUM PAID FOR AMERICAN Gold and Silver and the first issue of the United States demand notes, by P. P. JAMES & Co., No. 48 Wall-st.

COUPONS ON UNITED STATES BONDS, Coupons July 1, payable at the Bankers' Office, by
LIVERMORE, CLEWS & CO.,
No. 34 Wall-st., New-York.

CITY OF ST. LOUIS—PAR FOR BOND HOLDERS.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CLAIMS FOR UNIFORMS.

All persons or regiments having claims under the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide for the relief of certain persons and regiments belonging to the Militia of this State, for clothing or equipments lost or destroyed in the service of the United States"—passed April 22, 1862—are hereby notified to transmit the same, duly verified, to Col. S. W. BURT, Assistant Inspector-General, at the Capitol, in the City of Albany, before the 1st day of July next; it being provided in said act that all claims thereunder must be presented on or before that day.

The claim of each person must be accompanied by an affidavit stating the articles lost or destroyed and the value thereof, the regiment and company to which he was attached, his length of service therewith, and that said regiment or company has not received payment or compensation from any city or country for their uniforms and equipments used and worn out in the service of the United States; that the clothing and equipments for which the claim is made were furnished at the expense of the person making the issue, and that he is, at the present time a member of the uniformed Militia of the State of New-York. The present address of each person should be inserted upon his claim. In case the company by-laws of a regiment make the uniforms thereof the common property of the companies, the claim for such regiment can be presented in a gross sum duly verified by the field officers.

Blanks for the presentation of said claims will be furnished upon application at 51 Walker-street, New-York, or at the office of the Inspector-General, at the City of Albany. LUCIUS ROBINSON,
Comptroller.
WILLIAM B. LEWIS,
Quartermaster-General.
C. A. ARTHUR,
Inspector-General.
Albany, June 26, 1862.

THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY.—TRANSFER OFFICE, ALBANY, June 18, 1862.—In pursuance of the terms of the Trust Certificates of the abrogation of One Hundred Dollars, ($100) ... Constitution, in 1853, notice is hereby given that the certificates of the said denomination still outstanding will be paid at par on the first day of November next, when the next semi-annual payment of interest will become due, at the BANK OF COMMERCE, in New-York, after which date interest on the said certificates will cease. All now and accepted returns ... the said Bank of Commerce, at the office of J. E. ... and at the office of ... JOHN V. L. PRUYN, Treasurer.

AT AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA COAL COMPANY, held in the City of Hawley, Penn., on Tuesday, the 17th inst., the following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

JOHN EWEN, THOS. W. PEARSALL,
JOHN E. GRIFFITH, CHAS. MORGAN,
ISAAC L. PLATT, JONATHAN THORNE,
WM. HAUSMEYER, GEO. L. SCHOWN,
JOHN O. JONES.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, JOHN EWEN was unanimously re-elected President of the Company for the ensuing year.
EDWIN H. MEAD, Secretary.

REAL ESTATE AND LOAN OFFICE.—JOHN S. GILES respectfully informs his friends and the public that he has removed his office, for the purchase and sale of real estate, to No. 174 Canal-st. Loans furnished and moneys invested on bond and mortgage. Persons desiring to invest their money in bonds and mortgages, or real estate to dispose of, can enter the name on the books of the office, free of charge. Property carefully collected and competently managed. Insurance effected in the best City companies. The undersigned, from his long experience and intimate knowledge of the above business, feels confident of his ability to promote the interest of those who may favor him with their patronage. JOHN S. GILES.

TREASURER'S OFFICE, No. 19 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, June 14, 1862.

THE MICHIGAN SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY.—NOTICE is hereby given to holders of the Michigan Southern First Mortgage Bonds, which fell due Nov. 1, 1861, and of the Northern Indiana First Mortgage Bonds, which fell due Nov. 1, 1861, that they are requested to present them at this office for payment, when the interest will cease accruing on the 30th inst., except as to those parties who shall not have received this notice of payment, and in those cases on the date of receiving this notice.
HENRY KEEP, Treasurer.

MANHATTAN SAVINGS INSTITUTION, NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

TRUSTEES OF THIS INSTITUTION declare that interest be paid on all deposits, (by request thereto), at the rate of Six per cent. per annum, for the term of one year, and at the rate of Five per cent. per annum on all sums over that amount, from and after July 21. Interest will be credited on July 1, and, if not withdrawn, will receive interest as a deposit.
E. ... DOWN, President.

NOTICE.—THE SEMI-ANNUAL ... on the Joliet and Chicago Railroad ... on and after presentation of the proper coupons ... at the office of M. K. JESUP ... New-York. ... BLACKSTONE, President.

... DIVIDEND ... PER ANNUM FOR FIVE YEARS ... on bonds of the State of Michigan will be ... on and after that date, by JOHN OWEN, Treasurer.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS hereby given, to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.: For regulating Fifty-fifth-street, between the Sixth and Seventh avenues, setting curb and gutter, and flagging Fifty-third-street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, and Madison-avenue, from the corner of Thirtieth-street and Madison-avenue. The limits embraced by such assessment include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situate on both sides of Fifty-fifth-street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, both sides of Fifty-third-street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, and the northwesterly corner of Thirtieth-street and Madison-avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to one of the undersigned, at their office, No. 32 Chambers street, basement new Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.
CHAS. McNEILL,
JACOB F. OAKLEY, } Board of Assessors.
WM. A. DOOLEY,
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
New Court-house, June 26, 1862.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed, and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

For laying grow-walks across 4th-av., between 49th and 50th sts. Fencing vacant lots on 32d and 33d sts., between 10th and 11th avs.; northwest corner of 49th-st. and 9th-av.; on 50th-st., between 8th and 9th avs.; and 54th-st., between 7th and 9th avs. Also for sewer in Sullivan-st., from Spring-st. to 30 feet south of Prince-st., and in 9th-av., from 51st to 55th sts.

The limits embraced by such assessment include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on both sides of 4th-av., between 49th and 53d sts., north side of 49th-st., both sides of 50th, 51st and 52d sts., and south side of 53d-st., from and to points distant midway between 4th and 5th and 8th and Lexington avs., on south side of 32d and north side of 33d sts., between 10th and 11th avs., on north side of 49th-st., between Broadway and 7th-av., on south side of 50th-st., between 8th and 9th avs., both sides of 54th-st., between 7th and 9th avs., both sides of Sullivan-st., between Spring and Prince sts., both sides of 30th-st., between 6th and 50th sts., north side of 51st, and both sides of 52d, 53d, 54th and 55th sts., between 8th and 9th avs.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to one of the undersigned, at their office, No. 32 Chambers-st., basement New Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.
CHAS. McNEILL,
JACOB F. OAKLEY, } Board of Assessors.
WM. A. DOOLEY,
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
New Court-house, June 26, 1862.

PERMITS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VAULTS.—Public notice is hereby given that the following rates for permits to construct vaults have been established under an ordinance of the Common Council, viz.:

For vaults to buildings occupied exclusively as dwellings, for each superficial foot, fifty cents.

For vaults to buildings used partly as dwellings and partly for business purposes, one dollar per superficial foot.

For vaults to buildings used exclusively for mercantile purposes, two dollars per superficial foot.
THOS. STEPHENS,
THOS. B. TAPPEN, } Croton Aqueduct Board.
A. W. CRAVEN,

CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT, June 25, 1862.

NEW RESERVOIR—NOTICE.—THE PUBLIC is informed that the south gate-house of the New Reservoir will be opened for inspection on MONDAY, the 30th inst., and will continue open daily, from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M., until the introduction of water into the reservoir, on or about the 10th of July.
THOS. STEPHENS,
T. B. TAPPEN,
A. W. CRAVEN, } Croton Aqueduct Board.

THE COMMITTEE ON SEWERS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 8, City Hall. Parties interested in any matter before the Committee will have an opportunity of being heard.
F. FARLEY,
IRA A. ALLEN,
C. A. JEREMIAH,
Committee on Sewers.

THE COMMITTEE ON FIRE DEPARTMENT of the Board of Aldermen will meet every SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock, in the City Library Room, City Hall.
ALEX. FRIAR,
IRA A. ALLEN,
WILLIAM WALSH,
Committee on Fire Department.

SOLDIERS' CLAIMS.

SOLDIERS, SEAMEN OR THEIR RELATIVES, CAN HAVE THEIR BOUNTY, PRIZE MONEY, ARREARS OF PAY AND PENSIONS, COLLECTED AND CASHED BY
J. NELSON LUCKEY, Army and Navy Agent,
Nos. 8 and 10 Pine-st.

MARBLE WORKS.

MARBLE MANTELS.—THE BEST AND cheapest marble mantels can be bought at KLABER'S Marble Yards, No. 109 East 19th-st., near 3d-av., and No. 54 1st-av., near 3d-st. New-York. Mantels put up in any part of the country.

DIVIDENDS.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

GENESEE
GREAT WESTERN
MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY,
Grand Western Buildings, Nos. 21 and 23 Pine-st.,
New-York.

THE USUAL SEMI-ANNUAL INTEREST DIVIDEND of 3½ Per Cent. on the $1,000,000 Clear Capital Stock of this Company, will be paid at this office, on and after 1st July, 1862.

Transfer Books will be closed from on and after 20th June, until 1st July.
DOUGLAS ROBINSON, Secretary.

ILLINOIS AND MICHIGAN CANAL.—DIVIDEND.—The Board of Trustees of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, have, by a resolution, dated June 19, 1862, ordered a Dividend of FIVE PER CENT. to be paid on account of the revenues of the Illinois and Michigan Canal. Registered drafts will be ready for payment.

The payment of said dividend will be made by the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, at his office, No. 54 Fulton-st., in the City of New-York, on and after the FIRST DAY OF JULY, 1862.

The Bonds must be presented to the Treasurer, at the time of payment, for endorsement of payment, and may be stamped thereon.
WILLIAM E. SWIFT, } Trustees.
HENRY GRINNELL, }
June 27, 1862.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY.—GREYBROOK, Ohio, June 26, 1862.—The Board of Directors of this Company have declared a cash dividend of Five per cent. out of the net earnings of the six months ending the last, and a stock dividend of Five per cent. out of the accumulated surplus, both payable on and after 1st day of August next. Scrip, payable as represented in New-York will be ready at the office of the United States Trust Company of New-York. The dividend certificates to be issued for fractional shares, will not be entitled to future dividends, unless converted into full shares. The transfer books will open on the morning of July 12, and open August 3. By order of the Board of Directors.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE PANAMA RAILROAD COMPANY, TRUSTEE BUSINESS, No. 52 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

TWENTY-FIRST DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD of Directors have this day declared a dividend of Three (3) per Cent., out of the earnings of the road for the three months ending 30th inst., and One (1) per Cent. additional out of the earnings of the last year, payable to holders of stock, registered in the City of New-York, on and after the 5th July next. The transfer books will be closed from the evening of the 27th June until the morning of the 6th July.
HENRY SMITH, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL CO., NEW-YORK, June 2, 1862.

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THIS Company have declared a Semi-Annual Dividend of Seven and a Half per cent., out of the profits of the Company, payable on and after SATURDAY, the 21st inst., at the office of the Company, No. 20 William-st., corner of Exchange-place.

The transfer-books are now closed, and will remain closed until the morning of the 16th inst.
By order of the Board.
ISAAC N. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN RAILROAD CO., No. 35 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, June 24, 1862.

NOTICE.—A DIVIDEND OF SIX PER CENT. HAS been declared on the Capital Stock of this Company, payable in cash at this office, on and after 30th June inst.

The transfer-books will be closed until the morning of July 1, 1862.
By order of the Board of Managers.
A. J. ODELL, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF CHICAGO & ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD CO., NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDEND OF THREE PER Cent. on the capital stock of this Company has been declared, payable to the stockholders, or their legal representatives, at the office of the Company, on FRIDAY, July 11, next. The transfer books will be closed on the afternoon of July 1, and opened on the morning of July 12.
FRANCIS H. TOWS, Secretary.

BROADWAY BANK, NEW-YORK, June 21, 1862.

TWENTY-FIFTH DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-annual Dividend of Five (5) per Cent. on the capital stock of this Bank, from the profits of the current six months, will be paid on and after the 1st day of July ensuing.

The transfer books will be closed from the 25th inst. until the day of payment. By order of the Board.
J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.

NOTICE.—THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS of the Bank of America have this day declared a dividend of Three and a Half (3½) Per Cent., payable on and after the 1st day of July next.
WM. C. RUSHMORE, Cashier.

BANK OF NORTH AMERICA, NEW-YORK, June 21, 1862.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE Bank of North America have this day declared a Dividend of Three and a half per Cent. (3½) for the current six months, payable to the Stockholders on and after July 8. The transfer books will be closed from the 24th June until the 8th July. JOHN P. YELVERTON, Cashier.

THE BANK OF NEW-YORK.—THE BOARD of Directors of the Bank of New-York have this day declared a Dividend of Three (3) Per Cent. on the Capital Stock of the Bank for the current six months, payable to the stockholders on and after July 1. The Transfer books will be closed from this date until July 5.
M. B. MEEKER, Cashier.

NEW-YORK, June 17, 1862.

METROPOLITAN BANK, No. 108 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, June 24, 1862.—The Directors of the Metropolitan Bank have this day declared a Semi-Annual Dividend of Three Per Cent., payable on or after the first Monday of July proximo.

The Transfer Books will remain closed until July 8, 1862.
By order,
GEO. I. SENEY, Cashier.

CITIZENS' GAS-LIGHT COMPANY.—DIVIDEND.—A semi-annual Dividend of Three per cent. on the capital stock of this Company has been declared, payable on and after the 15th of July next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 1st to the 15th of July. By order H. WARREN, Secretary.

BROOKLYN, June 20, 1862.

IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' BANK, NEW-YORK, June 25, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF three and a-half (3½) per cent. has been declared out of the net earnings of the past six months, and made payable to the stockholders of this Bank, on and after MONDAY, 30th inst. From 25th June to 1st July the Transfer Books will be closed. JAMES BRELL, Cashier.

OFFICE PARK FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 237 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF Five (5) Per Cent. has this day been declared, payable on and after the 1st of July next. The transfer books will be closed until that date.
WM. JAFFRAY, Secretary.

MANUFACTURERS' AND MERCHANTS' BANK, NEW-YORK, June 24, 1862.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a Dividend of (3) Three Per Cent., payable on and after July 1.

Transfer books will be closed from this date to the 1st of July. A. MASTERTON, Cashier.

THE PARK BANK, NEW-YORK, June 27, 1862.

THE USUAL SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND of Four per Cent. on the capital stock of this Bank has been declared payable on and after July 10. The transfer books will be closed from this date until the 10th of July. CHAS. A. MACY, Cashier.

ATLANTIC BANK—BROOKLYN, JUNE 24, 1862.—DIVIDEND.—A Semi-annual Dividend of Five Per Cent. on the capital stock of this Bank has this day been declared, out of the profits for the six months ending the 30th inst., payable on and after the 1st day of July next. WM. C. RUSHMORE, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE JERSEY CITY INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 1 Montgomery-st., JERSEY CITY, June 24, 1862.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per Cent., payable on demand.
J. PAULMIER, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.—THE NEW YORK, PROVIDENCE and Boston Railroad Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of Three and a-half (3½) per cent., payable on demand after this date, at the office of M. MORGAN & SON, No. 37 William-st.

OFFICE OF THE HARMONY FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 50 Wall-st., New-York, June 26, 1862. The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual DIVIDEND of FIVE PER CENT., payable on demand.
R. O. GLOVER, Secretary.

TRADESMEN'S BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, June 24, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF three and a half per cent. (3½) on the capital stock has this day been declared, payable on and after 1st July next. ANTHONY HALSEY, Cashier.

PHŒNIX BANK, NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of three (3) per cent., payable to the stockholders on demand. By order of the Board,
F. M. BEYSON, Cashier.

NOTICE.—THE NEW-YORK BALANCE DOCK Company has this day declared a dividend of Four Per Cent., payable at the office of the Company, No. 13 Wall-st., on and after July 1st, next.
WM. MENEIRS, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK, June 25, 1862.

HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK, June 20, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Dividend of Three Per Cent. on the Capital Stock, payable on the 1st day of July next. By order,
THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, June 18, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF Three per Cent. on the capital stock of this Bank, has this day been declared, payable on and after 1st July next. By order,
K. J. OAKLEY, Cashier.

BANK OF COMMERCE IN NEW-YORK—DIVIDEND.—A Semi-annual Dividend of Three Per Cent. on the capital stock of this Bank has been declared, payable on and after July 7.
E. F. VAIL, Cashier.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD CO.

AT A MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS, held this day, it was voted that a dividend of Five Dollars Per Share on the capital stock of this company be declared, payable on the 30th day of June next, to holders of stock of record at the time of the payment thereof, to be made to stockholders residing in Michigan and registered at Boston, at the office of the general receiver, in Detroit; to holders of stock, registered in the City of New-York, at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, in said city, and to all others at the office of the treasurer, in the City of Boston.

Voted, that the Transfer Books of the Company be closed from the 10th until the 24th inst.
ISAAC LIVERMORE, Treasurer.

GREENPOINT SAVINGS BANK, NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

JULY INTEREST FOR 1862.—THE BOARD of Trustees have ordered interest to be paid to depositors, at the rate of Five Per Cent. per annum, on all sums of five hundred dollars and under, that may be entitled thereto, and Four Per Cent. per annum on all sums over that amount, payable at the Bank on and after Monday, July 21, 1862. Funds not drawn will be placed to the credit of depositors as principal, and draw interest from July 1.
D. A. GUERNSEY, President.
WASHINGTON E. VERMILYE, } Secretaries.
JOHN S. BOERNSTEIN,

OFFICE EMPIRE CITY FIRE INSURANCE CO., No. 102 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

TWENTY-SECOND DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS of this Company have this day declared the usual semi-annual dividend of seven per cent., payable on demand.
WM. A. BURNS, Secretary.

BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH, NEW-YORK, June 26, 1862.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Bank have declared a dividend of Three per cent. payable to the stockholders on the 1st of July.
GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF Three and a half per cent. (3½), on the capital stock, this day been declared, payable on and after the first July next. SAM'L T. WHITE, Cashier.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, IN AND FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT.—WESTAR MORRIS, a holder of Bonds issued by the Quakake Railroad Company, certain mortgage executed by the Quakake Railroad Company, dated July 1, 1857, to Jonathan Hand, June 10, 1861, as well for himself as for all other holders of Bonds so secured as agreeing to contribute to the expense of the suit that may become necessary against the said THE QUAKAKE RAILROAD COMPANY, and against William D. Lewis and Charles Hartshorne, Trustees, in the place of Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, on the 4th Monday of July Term, 1862, No. 1.—Under and by virtue of a writ issued out of the Supreme Court of the State of Pennsylvania, made in the above entitled cause, upon the second day of June, A. D. 1862, will be exposed to public sale or vendue, on Saturday, the 26th day of July, A. D. 1862, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Exchange, in the City of Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the following described property, upon the terms and conditions specified in the Decree of Sale, viz.: The whole of the railroad of the said Quakake Railroad Company, from the junction with the Beaver Meadow Railroad, near the junction with the Beaver Meadow Railroad in Rush township, Schuylkill County, thence along the valley of the Quakake Creek, through Carbon County, to the Little Schuylkill River, and all the lands, tenements, hereditaments, rights, franchises, privileges and appurtenances whatsoever, and generally all the lands, tenements and hereditaments of the said the Quakake Railroad Company.

A more specific and detailed account of some of the items of property included in the sale and referred to in the foregoing description, may be given as follows:

RAILROAD.

which is about fourteen miles in length, and extends westwardly from its junction with the Beaver Meadow Railroad, at the confluence of the Quakake and Black Creeks in Carbon County, along the valley of the Quakake Creek, and that of the east branch of the Little Schuylkill River to the junction of the said the Quakake Railroad with the Catawissa Railroad, in Rush Township, Schuylkill County. Ten miles of the railroad are graded for a double track. The length of the single track (including sidings) is about fifteen and one-quarter miles. The railroad is constructed in the best manner, and laid with American iron weighing fifty pounds to the yard. There is one water station and six water tanks. There is also an iron turn-table of the best construction, forty-five feet in diameter. The road is provided with all necessary sidings and switches.

BRIDGES.

There are five bridges. All are substantially built, save one, which is on trestles. It is well built, and intended to replace the bridge over the Quakake Creek at the Beaver Meadow Junction, recently destroyed by fire. With this exception there is no trestle work on the road. The masonry of the bridges over the Quakake Creek, and the east branch of the Little Schuylkill River, is laid and erected for the purpose of accommodating a double track.

TERMS OF SALE.

The said railroad, property, franchises and premises mentioned in the said two mortgages and hereinbefore ... gages shall become purchasers by themselves or with others, they shall be and are by said decree authorized to deliver their said bonds or coupons to the trustees under said two mortgages, (and nothing in said decree is mentioned,) who shall indorse thereon the shares or dividends, if any, which the holders would be respectively entitled to receive on account of such bonds or coupons, as their portion of the proceeds of sale on distribution, if the purchase money was paid in cash, after deducting therefrom all proper commissions, expenses, counsel fees and costs incurred by said trustees in said proceeding; for which shares or dividends the said indorsement shall be a full discharge and acquittance, and the total amount thereof shall be credited to said purchasers on account of the price or purchase money bid by them, and the balance of said purchase money shall be paid in cash to said trustees. And in the event that the holders of said bonds or coupons shall not be entitled to any share or dividend on account thereof, out of the said purchase money, or that the property shall be purchased by others than the holders of bonds or coupons, so entitled, then the whole of said purchase money shall be paid in cash to said trustees.

The sum of five thousand dollars of the purchase money of said property shall be paid in cash, at the time and place of the sale, and the balance within twenty days thereafter. And after the confirmation of said sale by the Court, and the compliance with the terms thereof by the purchasers, the said WILLIAM D. LEWIS and CHARLES HARTSHORNE, Trustees, under the two mortgages, under which said sale is directed, shall therewith execute and deliver to the purchaser or purchasers, a deed of conveyance for the property, rights, privileges, immunities and franchises aforesaid, in fee simple, and said purchaser or purchasers shall have, take and enjoy the same, freed and discharged from all trusts and incumbrances whatsoever.

Any further information in respect to said sale or premises, may be had upon application to either of the undersigned Trustees, by whom said sale is held.
WILLIAM D. LEWIS,
CHARLES HARTSHORNE,
Trustees, Philadelphia.

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.—RICHARD EDWARDS, Plaintiff, against THOMAS CULLEN and MARY CULLEN, his wife, defendants. In pursuance of the judgment in the above entitled Court, made in the above entitled cause, on the 25th day of June, 1862, I, the Referee, appointed in and by said judgment, do hereby certify that I, in effect such judgment, will sell at public auction, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the 22d day of July, 1862, at 12 o'clock noon, through E. H. Ludlow, real estate auctioneer: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Nineteenth Ward, Twelfth Street, in the City of New-York, being formerly part of the farm of John Hooper, deceased, and known and distinguished on a map or chart made by Edward Smith, City Surveyor, on the 24th day of November, 1823, (and which said map is filed in the Office of the Register of the City and County of New-York, in tin case No. 181) by number fifty-six, bounded southerly, in front, by Fifty-first street, northerly, in the rear, by lot number eighty-one, (81,) easterly, by lot number fifty-five, (55,) and westerly by lot number fifty-seven, (57,) as laid down on said map, beginning at a point on the northerly side of Fifty-first street, at a point three hundred feet easterly from the northeasterly corner of Eleventh-avenue and Fifty-first-street and running thence easterly along the northerly side of Fifty-first-street, twenty-five feet; thence northerly along the line of lot number fifty-six, (56,) on a line parallel with the Eleventh-avenue, to the centre of the block between Fifty-first and Fifty-second streets; thence westerly on a line parallel with Fifty-first-street, twenty-five feet; thence southerly along the line of lot number fifty-seven and parallel with the Eleventh-avenue to Fifty-first-street, the place of beginning.—Dated June 28, 1862.
JOHN B. HASKIN, Referee.
BERRIEN & PERE, Plaintiffs' Attorneys.
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SUPREME COURT—COUNTY OF CAYUGA.—JONATHAN H. SEYMOUR against HENRY C. DUVALL.—Summons for money.—To Henry C. Duvall, defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint of Jonathan H. Seymour, plaintiff, a copy of which was filed in the Clerk's Office of Cayuga County, at Auburn, N. Y., on the 17th day of March, 1862, and to serve a copy of your answer on the subscriber, at his office in Port Byron, Cayuga County, N. Y., within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, or the plaintiff will take judgment against you for fifty-seven dollars and fifty-seven cents, with interest from the 11th day of February, 1861, besides costs.—Dated March 17, 1862. C. B. BERRY, Plaintiff's Attorney,
Port Byron, N. Y.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

LUMBER-YARD FOR SALE.—THE STOCK, fixtures, good-will and real estate of a well-established lumber-yard, doing a good business, for sale on easy terms; or, the yard would be leased, if preferred; a rare chance for any one desirous of engaging in a paying business. Apply personally or by letter, to the subscriber, on the premises, foot of 129th-st. and North River, Manhattanville, N. Y. W. DUNNING.

FOR SALE IN HOBOKEN.—THE STOCK, fixtures and good-will of a first-class dry goods store, situated in the centre of the city, will be sold, if applied for immediately, household furniture included, for $2,100, cash, or on time if good security is given; worth $2,500. Address S., Box No. 138 *Times* Office.

FOR SALE, TO LET, OR EXCHANGE.—A manufactory in this City; size of ground, 75x110 feet; building, 45x110 feet, 3-stories; will be exchanged for a desirable residence in New-York, or a country seat. Apply to WAN WINKLE & WINANS, No. 14 Fine-st.

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PROPOSALS.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the School Officers of the Fifth Ward, at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm-sts., until MONDAY, the 30th day of June, 1862, at 12 o'clock, noon, for painting the exterior and the walls and woodwork of the interior of Ward School-house No. 44, in said ward, pursuant to specifications on file and to be seen at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 94 Crosby-st. Two responsible and approved sureties will be required from the successful bidder.
PETER HOFFMAN,
JOHN T. HOFFMAN,
Committee on Repairs.
Dated June 16, 1862.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE, No. 57 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, June 17, 1862.

PLANS AND ESTIMATES OF COST ARE invited at this office until the 20th inst., for a steam vessel complete, except engine and boilers, of the size of the late steamer *Winfield Scott*, which, as near as can be ascertained, was as follows: Extreme length, 225 feet; 32 feet beam; lower deck, 10 feet; between decks, 6½ feet; width of hull at 6 feet, 28 feet; width over all, 45 feet. Offers may be made for a wood or iron vessel, either to be of the best materials used, and to be fitted in every respect for sea, except engine and boilers, it being intended to use those saved from the *Winfield Scott*.
D. D. TOMPKINS,
Assistant Quartermaster-General.

TO SEWER BUILDERS.—SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock of MONDAY, July 7, for the building of a sewer in Broadway, between Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets.

For further information, apply to the Contract Clerk, at this office.
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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

CONGRESS.

Satisfactory News at the War Department.

Synopsis of the Corwin-Mora Treaty with Mexico.

EFFORTS TO OBTAIN ITS PASSAGE.

Renewed Agitation of the Intervention Question.

OUR SPECIAL WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, June 29.

A DAY OF REPOSE.

Perhaps more than any other of the many memorable days of this war, has been devoted to quiet repose. Starting the week off by the usual morning prayer-meetings, and ending it with the Sabbath, the people have had time to breathe and reflect on the events of the week, and to form a more correct estimate of the situation than they could amid the excitement of the week. The tone of the public mind is more hopeful than it has been for many days, and the general feeling is that we have passed the culminating point of our misfortunes, and that the future will be better than the past.

GEN. PAYNE.

The report that Gen. Payne is dissatisfied with the order placing Gen. Pope in command of the army in Virginia, is not true. Gen. Pope is in his middle, and obeys orders. Long ago he expressed his willingness to form a junction with either Banks or McDowell, and he is the field accordingly to-day, if by so doing it would contribute in the least to bring out the solution. The appointment of Gen. Pope to his present position will be a surprise to Gen. Banks.

A GOOD PROMOTION.

Capt. Hamilton, of the War Department, has been appointed Chief of Gen. Pope's Staff, with the rank of Colonel. It is not too much to say that no promotion had yet been made more creditable to the service than this one. It will be difficult to fill Capt. Hamilton's place in the Adjutant-General's Office, where he has rendered important and efficient service; but his promotion will not relieve, and Gen. Pope is to be congratulated that he has been able to secure as his Chief of Staff so able and efficient an officer.

Capt. Vanderver, Assistant Adjutant-General, will succeed Capt. Hamilton in the War Department.

GEN. POPE'S STAFF.

The following Staff Officers will report for duty in person to Maj.-Gen. Pope, in this city: Maj. John Bowers, Assistant Inspector-General; U. S. A.; Maj. R. Jones, Assistant Inspector-General, U. S. A.; Surgeon Joseph K. Barnes, U. S. A.

AFFAIRS AT FREDERICKSBURGH.

The special correspondent of the *Times*, C. H. W., has just returned from Fredericksburgh. Gen. Augur, being the senior officer of King's former Division, is now in command. Our pickets yesterday were advanced about nine miles from Fredericksburgh, on the Telegraph Road, and came in at noon, reporting that they were driven in by forty or fifty rebel cavalry. A company of cavalry was sent out to examine the ground, but reported no evidence of rebel proximity.

The recent raid of Jackson has given the secessionists heart, and they were more open in their declarations of disloyalty than before.

SYNOPSIS OF THE MEXICAN TREATY.

The following is a synopsis of the Mexican Treaty now before the Senate:

The United States stipulates to loan Mexico $11,000,000 for the term of five years.

For this loan, the Mexican Government is to pledge the entire public domain, and what remains of the church property, estimated at $100,000,000 in value.

The United States Government is to issue its bonds for the amount of $11,000,000, payable in twenty years, and bearing six per cent. interest.

Mexico is to receive $2,000,000 of the amount loaned in fifteen days from the final ratification of the treaty. The balance to be paid in instalments of $500,000 per month, running eighteen months.

The Mexican Government is to turn over its bonds to the Government of the United States, for the amount of $11,000,000, bearing six per cent. interest, and payable in five years.

To carry into effect this treaty, a mixed Commission to be appointed by the Governments of the United States and Mexico.

Three Commissioners are to be appointed, one on the part of Mexico and two on the part of the United States.

The Commissioners thus appointed are to sell the public domain and the church property sufficient to liquidate the loan, and pass the proceeds over to an agent to be appointed by the United States Government.

The agent appointed by the United States Government to receive the funds as realized, shall reside in Mexico.

There is a Convention annexed to the treaty in which the Tehuantepec project is revived, but which contemplates no new commercial advantages.

THE QUESTION OF INTERVENTION.

The question of foreign interference is again agitated here. All the latest advices, public and private, from England, indicate a spirit of restiveness in that country on American matters, more significant than any hitherto manifested. It is stated that the tone of the last despatches received at the State Department is not altogether satisfactory, but that nothing is said from which it could be at all inferred that the Powers designed taking any immediate [illegible]. The defeat of the Militia Bill in the Canadian Parliament has not improved the Canadian temper, and he will seize upon the report at Charleston with as much avidity as he did upon that in Russell Department. On this subject Hon. J. A. Gurney has received a letter from a highly intelligent adopted citizen of Ohio, who has been in England for the past six months, spending much time in the upper district. He says:

First—I have the best reasons for knowing that intervention in our affairs was determined upon by England and France some months ago, and for the reasons, amongst others, I gave you in my letter of March last.

Secondly—This determination would have been acted upon before this had not the contest between the *Monitor* and *Merrimac* taken Europe—the world, in fact—by surprise, and upset all the calculations of France and England especially. They became alarmed for their own safety.

Thirdly—The dread of a *Monitor* fleet, which I understand we are now building, adds another to the reasons which determined these Powers to interfere, and they will never permit this *fleet to be completed* if they can possibly prevent it.

Fourthly—They will soon offer mediation, taking decided Southern ground—well knowing that this will not be acceptable to our Government. It is not their intention, or wish that it should be accepted.

Fifthly—This being refused, they will send their navigators to open the Southern ports by force, and [illegible]

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